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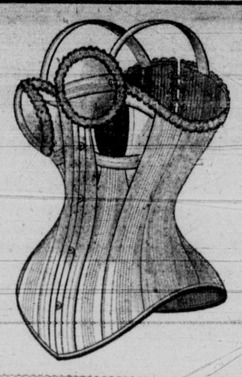

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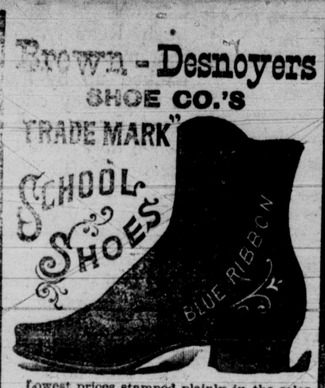

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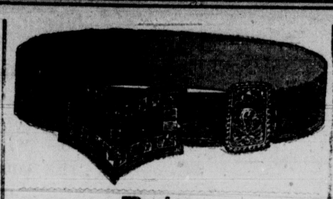

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Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain your friend.

UNCLE MIKE.

From Vineland.

VINELAND, APRIL 20, '91.
Editor Democrat.

We are having a considerable amount of rain.

The health of our community is good.

The entertainment came off at Hackberry last Saturday night. It was a grand success. All engaged acted their part well. A large and appreciative audience was present, and all seemed to enjoy themselves splendidiy. The audience numbered about four hundred. A more orderly people was never congregated. The young people of our neighborhood never do anything by halves.

I notice that a majority of the voters of McKinney, have become very independent. Well! well! what is the matter with them any how?

Corn is large enough to plow.

T. H. Foster, has returned from his western trip.

The young ladies of the Mississippi Store visited Miss Stella Horn last Saturday and Sunday week. Come again ladies.

It rained yesterday and today and fears are entertained about wheat and oats.

ROUND UP.

From Pike.

PIKE, APRIL 18, 1891.
Editor Democrat.

We have had some very heavy rains for the last few days and prospects are favorable for more.

Crops are doing well.

Cotton is most all planted.

Corn is reported as being a thin stand. Prospects are promising for a good crop this season.

We are informed that the school will be out on the 25th, at which time will be given an exhibition.

Mrs. Staver has been sick for the last week with pneumonia.

Mrs. Williams has been very ill for the last ten days.

Dr. E. E. McGowen, Will Robertson and Y. F. Manning left last Wednesday for Greer county.

Andrew Morrow left for the west, where he contemplates of locating, if prospects are favorable. They are all prominent citizens of our community. We regret their removal.

Fruit is reported as doing well.

Success to The DEMOCRAT and its many readers.

YOUR SCRIBE.

A Deep Mystery!

About to be Solved.

Alliance News.

CROSS ROADS April, 16, 1891.
Editor Democrat:

Sir, we trust you will allow us a small space in the DEMOCRAT for a short letter.

At night on the 14th of this month muttering thunder was heard in the distance, soon the clouds began to gather and the forked lightening began to play across the approaching clouds and hail and rain fell in torrents for half an hour. It did but little damage as cotton had not come up. It extended over a space about six miles square.

The farmers are pushing their work. Some have had to plant their corn twice on account of bad stands.

Our school at Cross Roads is well attended with a goodly number of thorough going pupils. Our school is conducted by Prof. J. H. Faulkner, who has proven himself to be well informed in the mode of conducting school. He is an efficient teacher in imparting instructions to the pupils. He wins the admiration of all his scholars, more especially the girls of the community.

Considerable excitement was created on Monday the 13th of this month by the arrest of John Todd's boys, for killing Harvey Armstrong in December, 1888, the arrest was based on suspicion. A hat was found in Ham Todd's parture in Fannin county which was identified by James Armstrong (Harvey's father) as being the hat Harvey wore when he left home, a search has been made for the remains of Harvey but they have not been found. Nothing of importance has develeped in the case. Squire Ring of Fannin county held a court of inquiry before the well was cleaned out and placed the Todd boys under bond of one thousand dollars each. Harvey Armstrong left home in Decembsr 1888 and has not been heard of since, he was only sixteen years old although there has been an advertisement out for information as to his wheee abouts ever since he left. It all seems to be shrowded with a cloud of mysterg that may be lifted soon.

Armstrong Alliance is growing, the members rre all solid members but one and he is solidified. Yours.

SALLIE MUGGINS.

Pay up your subscription.

Beekeepers Association.

The Thirteenth Annual Session, Held at Greenville, Tex., April 1st and 2nd.

Greenville, Texas, April 2.—The Texas beekeepers' association met in its thirteenth annual session at the bee-yard of W. R. Graham, April 1, 1891. The convention was called to order by the president, W. R. Graham, at 10 a. m. with about twenty bee men present. Prayer was offered by Rev. I. H. Hightower, of Kingston, Texas. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

In a neat fraternal speech President Graham bade the convention welcome to his home and hospitality. Rev. A. Fitzgerald, of Emory, and Rev. I. H. Hightower, of Kingston, addressed the convention, giving their experience, observation and ideas of bee culture. A letter was read from Dr. W. R. Howard, of Ft. Worth, the first secretary of the association, expressing his regrets at not being able to attend the meeting. A committee was appointed by the president to draft suitable resolutions in memory of Hon. W. H. Andrews, the first president of the association, who died last August at his home in McKinney, Texas. The committee reported as follows which was adopted:

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These resolutions to be spread on our minutes and copy sent to the family.

JAS. N. HUNTER,
I. N. HUFAKER,
GEO. A. WILSON,
Committee.

Greenville, Texas, April 2, 1891.

The session extended over two days with one night session.

During adjournment President Graham gave us free access to his shop and large manufactory of apiary fixtures, run by an eighteen horse power engine, where he supplies everything wanted in an apiary.

An election of officers resulted as follows: Wm. Graham, president, Greenville, Texas; Geo. A. Wilson, vice-president, McKinney, Texas; A. H. Jones, secretary, Golden, Texas.

This session has been extremely pleasant and profitable to all participating for which our thanks are due Bro. W. R. Graham and his kind family. The next meeting of the association will be held the first Wednesday in April, 1892.

A. H. JONES, Secretary.

NOTICE.

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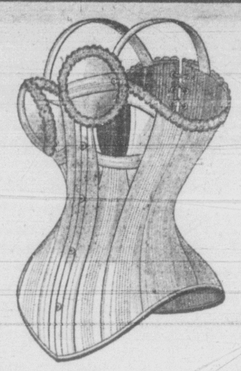

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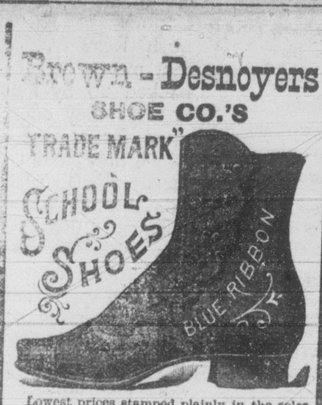

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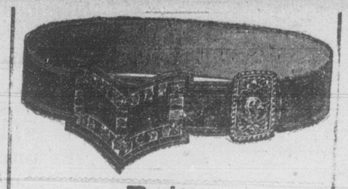

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UNCLE MIKE.

From Vineland.

VINELAND, APRIL 20, '91.
Editor Democrat.

We are having a considerable amount of rain.

The health of our community is good.

The entertainment came off at Hackberry last Saturday night. It was a grand success. All engaged acted their part well. A large and appreciative audience was present, and all seemed to enjoy themselves splendidiy. The audience numbered about four hundred. A more orderly people was never congregated. The young people of our neighborhood never do anything by halves.

I notice that a majority of the voters of McKinney, have become very independent. Well! well! what is the matter with them any how?

Corn is large enough to plow.

T. H. Foster, has returned from his western trip.

The young ladies of the Mississippi Store visited Miss Stella Horn last Saturday and Sunday week. Come again ladies.

It rained yesterday and today and fears are entertained about wheat and oats.

ROUND UP.

From Pike.

PIKE, APRIL 18, 1891.
Editor Democrat.

We have had some very heavy rains for the last few days and prospects are favorable for more.

Crops are doing well.

Cotton is most all planted.

Corn is reported as being a thin stand. Prospects are promising for a good crop this season.

We are informed that the school will be out on the 25th, at which time will be given an exhibition.

Mrs. Staver has been sick for the last week with pneumonia.

Mrs. Williams has been very ill for the last ten days.

Dr. E. E. McGowen, Will Robertson and Y. F. Manning left last Wednesday for Greer county.

Andrew Morrow left for the west, where he contempolates of locating, if prospects are favorable. They are all prominent citizens of our community. We regret their removal.

Fruit is reported as doing well.

Success to The DEMOCRAT and its many readers.

YOUR SCRIBE.

A Deep Mystery!

About to be Solved.

Alliance News.

CROSS ROADS April, 16, 1891.
Editor Democrat:

Sir, we trust you will allow us a small space in the DEMOCRAT for a short letter.

At night on the 14th of this month muttering thunder was heard in the distance, soon the clouds began to gather and the forked lightening began to play across the approaching clouds and hail and rain fell in torrents for half an hour. It did but little damage as cotton had not come up. It extended over a space about six miles square.

The farmers are pushing their work. Some have had to plant their corn twice on account of bad stands.

Our school at Cross Roads is well attended with a goodly number of thorough going pupils. Our school is conducted by Prof. J. H. Faulkner, who has proven himself to be well informed in the mode of conducting school. He is an efficient teacher in imparting instructions to the pupils. He wins the admiration of all his scholars, more especially the girls of the community.

Considerable excitement was created on Monday the 13th of this month by the arrest of John Todd's boys, for killing Harvey Armstrong in December, 1888, the arrest was based on suspicion. A hat was found in Ham Todd's parture in Fannin county which was identified by James Armstrong (Harvey's father) as being the hat Harvey wore when he left home, a search has been made for the remains of Harvey but they have not been found. Nothing of importance has develeped in the case. Squire Ring of Fannin county held a court of inquiry before the well was cleaned out and placed the Todd boys under bond of one thousand dollars each. Harvey Armstrong left home in Decembsr 1888 and has not been heard of since, he was only sixteen years old although there has been an advertisement out for information as to his wheee abouts ever since he left. It all seems to be shrowded with a cloud of mysterg that may be lifted soon.

Armstrong Alliance is growing, the members rre all solid members but one and he is solidified. Yours.

SALLIE MUGGINS.

Pay up your subscription.

Beekeepers Association.

The Thirteenth Annual Session, Held at Greenville, Tex., April 1st and 2nd.

Greenville, Texas, April 2.—The Texas beekeepers' association met in its thirteenth annual session at the bee-yard of W. R. Graham, April 1, 1891. The convention was called to order by the president, W. R. Graham, at 10 a. m. with about twenty bee men present. Prayer was offered by Rev. I. H. Hightower, of Kingston, Texas. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

In a neat fraternal speech President Graham bade the convention welcome to his home and hospitality. Rev. A. Fitzgerald, of Emory, and Rev. I. H. Hightower, of Kingston, addressed the convention, giving their experience, observation and ideas of bee culture. A letter was read from Dr. W. R. Howard, of Ft. Worth, the first secretary of the association, expressing his regrets at not being able to attend the meeting. A committee was appointed by the president to draft suitable resolutions in memory of Hon. W. H. Andrews, the first president of the association, who died last August at his home in McKinney, Texas. The committee reported as follows which was adopted:

Hon. W. H. Andrews, of McKinney, was the first president of the association, organized in Greenville, Texas, July 1878. He was recognized as a leading authority in bee culture. No man stood higher in the profession. He was gentlemanly and courtly toward all with whom he came in contact, a genial companion and true friend. As a lawyer he stood in the front rank of the profession. He departed this life, Aug. 6, 1890, at his home in McKinney, Texas, after a painful, lingering illness. Therefore resolved that we, the Texas Beekeepers association, do deplore the untimely fate of our departed friend and brother, cut down in the prime of manhood and usefulness, and resolved further that we tender our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

These resolutions to be spread on our minutes and copy sent to the family.

JAS. N. HUNTER,
I. N. HUFAKER,
GEO. A. WILSON,
Committee.

Greenville, Texas, April 2, 1891.

The session extended over two days with one night session.

During adjournment President Graham gave us free access to his shop and large manufactory of apiary fixtures, run by an eighteen horse power engine, where he supplies everything wanted in an apiary.

An election of officers resulted as follows: Wm. Graham, president, Greenville, Texas; Geo. A. Wilson, vice-president, McKinney, Texas; A. H. Jones, secretary, Golden, Texas.

This session has been extremely pleasant and profitable to all participating for which our thanks are due Bro. W. R. Graham and his kind family. The next meeting of the association will be held the first Wednesday in April, 1892.

A. H. JONES, Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Ex-confederate Tennessee soldiers, of Collin county. You are hereby called on to meet in H. C Mack's law office, at 2 o'clock, on Monday, April 27th, 1891 to fixing arrangements for drawing a pension for disability, rendered by said state.

Most respectfully,
The committee of arrangements.

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THURSDAY, Apr. 23, 1891.

EDITORIALS.

LOCAL NEWS.

This morning is clear, beautiful and grand.

There is a mortgage to every seven people in the United States.

R. Q. Mills in his late Austin speech opposed the free coinage of silver.

There are over 3,000 mortgages to every county in the United States.

Wade Hampton, of South Carolina don't like the Alliance—and vice versa.

The Fort Worth Gazatte eulogized the Farmers Alliance in an editoral last week.

With the heavy rains which has fallen of late, the ground ought to raise a good crop without another crop.

Secretary Blaine knocked out the Italians in the first round, and is receiving the approval of all political parties.

President Harrison is making many friends during his southern trip. His recipracity ideas coinside with the southern people.

We notice in the Jacksboro Sentinel that B. F. Ferguson & Co. of McKinney have secured the contract of building of several bridges in Jack county.

We presume that if the mossback citizen could have had his own way from his birth to the present, he would yet be in the cradle—he would have refused to grow.

There is to be a great southern exposition held at Raleigh, N. C., from October 1st to December 1st inclusive. All the southern states are expected to have exhibits.

The split in the Kansas City Congress signifies nothing. The people of the south and west, are bound to come together on the main issues, regardless of political affiliation.

We received a nice letter last evening from Ill's. school house, which will appear in our next issue: Our correspondents will please send in their communications early in the week.

The McKinney Cumberland Reservoir published by Rev. Weaver is a welcome visitor to our exchange table. It is a neatly printed eight paged paper full of wholesome reading matter.

Charles Conner, the principal witness against John Conners, in the Conductor Brown case at Sherman, has been arrested for perjury, and in default of $500 bond was placed in jail.

"The Rustler wants about three live, entergetic men to keep off spring poets First one applying can secure the position."—Wylie Rustler.

If it takes three to keep them off, how can one succeed?

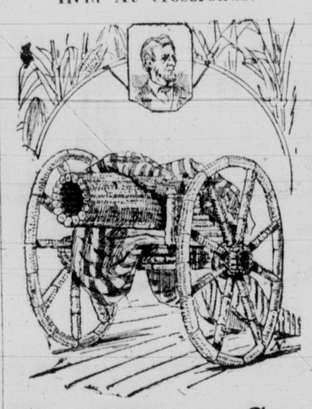
John Conners, alias Charles Parker, charged with the murder of Conductor Brown, who has been on trial at Sherman this week, has been acquitted. He was immediately re-arrested, and will probably be taken back to Missouri to stand his trial there for another offence.

COLLIN COUNTY ALLIANCE.

The Grandest Meeting

WITHIN ITS HISTORY

Held At Crossroads.



The Alliance Gun.

Notwithstanding the threatening of rain on the day before the Collin County Alliance meeting at Crossroads, in the northwest part of the county, a large number of delegates arrived in McKinney enroute to that place. The good people of that community sent wagons in to convey them out.

A Democrat reporter in mingling with the boys felt highly honored, and readily concluded that the Alliance of Collin County is composed of the best part of the farming element—honest, sturdy, determined and reasonable citizens. We found each one enthusiastic in favor of the coming great encampment at White's Grove, at which time and place a happy time is anticipated by all. The following is a report as furnished us by the secretary.

Nevada Tex. April 20th 1891.

The regular quarterly session of the Collin County Farmers Alliance met with Crossroads Alliance, on the 15th, day of April 1891, at ten o'clock a. m. The house was called to order, in the absence of the President, by the worthy vice President J. B. Marshall. After test of membership, the Alliance was opened with prayer, by our worthy chaplain, H L. Aston, after which the Alliance was declared ready for the transaction of business. The chair first proceeded to appoint the necessary committees. Committee on credentials: Alonzo Pedon, J. O. Sutherland, R. S. Sneed. In the absence of the door keeper, Bro. G. N. Frizzell was appointed as door keeper and J. C. Denton sergt. at-arms. After appointing committees, Bro. H. C. Stelzer proceeded to give to the Collin County Farmers' Alliance an address of welcome that was calculated to make all present feel that it was well to be a member of the Farmers' Alliance.

Committee on resolutions composed of R T. Quisenberry, G. F. Albright and A. C. Thompson.

Committee on credentials made report as follows, the following brethern are entitled to seats: Rowlett Alliance, J. C. Denton, T. S Chandler, R. T. Quisenberry and W. J. Adams; Armstrong, H. L. Aston; White Rock, M. B. Harper, J. L. Thompson, W. A. Gills and G. A. Harper; Rock Quary, H. M. Rollins. Midway, J. Woodall, George Wells, W. M. Box, J. R. Sides and J. S. Barlow, Pleasant Hill, J. F. Jones and W. T. Crenshaw; Melissa, Z. L Humphries; Roseman, S. N. Sutherland, and G. A. C Ray; New Hope, M. W. Younger and J. B Jett; Bloomdale, Charles Neely, E. R. Cox, N. W Kerr and J. S Watkins; Spring Hill, James Jett; New Liberty, G. N Frizzell; Verona, W. R. McGee, A. C. Stroup and William Phillips; Prairie Grove, J. R. Hamm, Mrs. M. E. Marshall and J. J. Dement; Hickman, A. J. Dunn; Cedar, T. C. Aycock and Alonzo Pedon; Maxwell, A. Bedell and J. H. King; Lone Elm, D. P. Brown, J. R Wilson and A. F. McDonald; McMinn, R. L Sears; Star Point H. H. Hoskins and L. D. Smith; Bishop, Abe Eube, A. B. Armstead, J. F. Hardin and C. W. Stephens; Willow Springs, J. T. Branch and E. F. England; St. Paul, J. W. Morris, J N. Reaves, W. H. Saunders and J. R. McCarty; Cross Roads, W. C. Farris and C. A. Thompson; Kreymer, G. F. Rachel; McKinney, O. D. Winn and G. F. Albright; Haggard school house, F. M. Collinsworth; White's Grove, J. G. Williams, James Coleman and A. R. Epps; Walnut Grove, W. B. Chapman; Sellers, I. D. Sellers; Weston, J. R. Green and William Kirby.

Thirty one of thirty five sub Alliances paid up dues for the quarter ending March 31 1891. The camp-meeting was declared a certainty with no Providential hinderance. Meeting to commence on Tuesday before the 3rd, Wednesday in July 1891.

Following are the committees for the encampment: committee on invitation. W. W. Chapman, W. T. Hale, Charles Neely, J. E. Bateman, K K. Kerr and J Y. Brooks;

Committee on securing and controlling the grounds, R. T. Quisenberry, G. W. Shields, Dr. O. D. Winn, John Melton, R. L. McDonald and J. G. Williams.

On motion a committee of three was appointed on privileges composed of W. W. Chapman, R. L. McDonald and M. W. Younger,

J. Y. Brooks was sent as deligate to confer with Hopkins County district committee that convened in Sulphur Springs on Saturday the 18th, inst. Committee made very satisfactory arrangements with said committee

Following is a list of speakers booked for the encampment: W. A Peffer, Kansas; Evan Jones, Texas; J. F. Willetts, Kansas; L. L Polk, N. C.; C. W. McCune, Washington, D. C.; Stump Ashby, Texas; Ralph Beaumont, Indiana; T. V. Powderly, Pennsylvania; Jerry Simpson, Kansas; James B. Weaver, Iowa; L. F. Livingston, Ga., also Ben Terrell, W. E. Farmer, J M. Pardue, W. S. Morgan, and others.

Sulphur Springs encampment will convene at Sulphur Springs, July 27, immediately after the Collin county encampment closes on Saturday July 25th. The Collin county encampment will convene with Collin county Farmers' Alliance, at Whites Grove, 3 miles southwest from McKinney, on Tuesday the 21st day of July 1891.

A complete program of the encampment will be published in the near future, in the different papers friendly to the Alliance. Success to The DEMOCRAT, readers and encampment.

J. Y. BROOKS,
Sec'y Collin county Alliance

A noticable feature of the meeting was the presence of the fair sex. The night meeting was attended by a large crowd.

A lady sitting in the back part of the house passed the following compliment on the delegates whom she recognized by their blue badges. "I tell you, they are intelligent, honest and substantial looking gentlemen."

An ex-member of the Alliance was present and declared that he would join right away—that he couldn't feel comfortable out side, while so many gray haired veterans continued to work so manfully and earnestly in the interest of the great laboring masses.

The speeches were well delivered and highly appreciated by the throng present.

It is expected that the camp-meeting will be attended by at least 10,000 people. One gentleman has offered $150 for privilege of selling lemonade. It is thought that the sale of privileges will amply pay expenses. Everybody regardless of political affiliation will be invited and the greatest social love feast within the history of Collin county be had.

Hogs from Kansas.

"There were received at the Fort Worth packing house from Kansas to-day, via the Cotton Belt road from Kansas City, 1125 head of hogs. This train load makes a grand total of 5500 head b ought to the packing house from Kansas by this one road within a few weeks The company keeps a man in that state purchasing hogs, for the reason that the supply furnished by Texas is not sufficient to fill the demand. The packing house people are paying 4 1-4 cents for good fat Texas hogs and would rather have them than those they got in Kansas, even at a higher price. They are constantly sending circular letters to Texas farmers urging them to pay more attention to swine raising and showing them where the money is in the business."

Why not raise more hogs in Texas? If the Kansas farmers can raise hogs to ship here to Texas, at a profit the Texas farmers can surely supply their own demands. Hogs can be raised as cheap and with less trouble here in Texas than in any other state, and it would be a payable industry, that would not in the least interfere with the farming.

The following Texans left Austin, last Sunday evening for Kansas City, to attend the commercial congress at that place. Senators Johnson, Kimbrough and Townsend and representatives Owsley, Baker Hamblem and Perry. The members of the committee appointed by the governor are; McElvee, Goodman, Rogers, McCunningham and Hood.

Ingersoll in a closing eulogy of Barret, the great actor says: "In the drama of human life all are actors and no one knows his part. In the great play the scenes are shifted by unseen forces, and the commencement, plot and end are still unknown, are unguessed. One by one the players leaves the stage and others takes their places. There is no pause. The play goes on. No prompter's voice is heard and no one has the slightest clue as to what the next scene is to be. Will this drama have an end? Will the curtain fall at last? Will it rise again upon some other stage? Reasons says perhaps, and hope still whispers yes. Sadly I bid my friend farewell. I admired the actor and loved the man.'

A Grand Entertainment.

WONDERFUL MARKSMANSHIP.

An account of an exhibition of marksmanship given at Ash Grove, on the last day of school, by J. C. J. Waters, (Canada Jim) had been sent by Mr. Henry Moore, through the mail for publication, but apparently having been misplaced is now published.

ROLAND, TEX, MARCH 16, '91.

A well devised and much appreciated entertainment was given by J. C. J. Waters, the teacher, on Friday of the last day of his school, in which was given speeches, declimations, and rehearsals, attended with violin music, and in conclusion a display of his marksmanship. The music was given by Messrs Charley Cox and Semour Brown. The form of the shooting given was, as is indicated by the headings given underneath.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING BY THE CROWD.

After introducing the shooting by throwing of several brick-bats and shattering them and throwing up a tin-can about the size of a small fist and shooting two holes through it before it hit the ground, showing how it was done, he had the crowd try their hand at it. The crowd (all that would) took two shots apiece and all together fired about 100 shots. The crowd in all their shots, according to the rules, made but one-tenth of a score, which was made by Vody Burkett, one of the scholars.

RIFLE WING SHOOTING AT FLYING BRICK-BATS WITH A PITCHER —100 SHOTS—BY THE TEACHER.

The pitcher would throw up half and quarter brick-bats, some close by and others farther off, which he would shatter one with the first shot and then pick out some of the larger pieces and shoot and make dust out of them. This was all so quick done that it was hard to tell just how many of the pieces he would hit. If he missed any of the main brick-bats I don't know it. He would shoot 2, 3, and sometimes 4 times before the pieces would fall to the ground. Many times I could plainly see him hit the second shot and once or twice that I know of I saw him hit with the third shot. A remarkable feature about this shooting is that he shoot the 100 shots in much less than two minutes time; having had three winchesters, and a man to load them. This may seem incredible, but will be plain when it is known he can shoot 3 times a second. John Calahan, who was one of the men detailed to load the guns, said he shot so fast at one time that he didn't give the hammer time to fall down far enough to crack the cap and throwed the cartridge out in place of a hull.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING AT FLYING BRICK-BATS BY THROWING THEM IN THE AIR THEN TAKING A WINCHESTER AND SHOOTING THEM.—BY THE TEACHER.

Under this kind of shooting he done about the same as with a pitcher. Here he would also throw up small tin cans and shoot 1, 2, and sometimes 3 holes through them before they would fall to the ground.

SHOOTING TIN CANS, BRICK-BATS, ETC., WITHOUT SIGHT.—BY TEACHER.

Here he would have tin cans and brick-bats set off away from him different distances and then poke the gun before him about hip high and shoot them without sight. He would flip his gun from one to the other and shoot wonderfully fast and rarely ever missed. He would shoot under cans without sight and knock them up and then throw his gun to his face and shoot them once and twice before they would hit the ground.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING AT SMALL MARBLES, HICKORY NUTS, AND BULLETS THE SAME SIZE OF THE RIFLE BALL.—BY THE TEACHER.

The judges pronounced him hitting 4 marbles out of 6, 2 hickory nuts out of 3, and 2 bullets out of 4. He says his misses were due to changing to substances of different velocities so much, and besides too slugish muscles due to confinement in the school room, and shooting without practicing up before hand.

SHOOTING AT THREE STILL TARGETS WITH SIGHT.—BY THE TEACHER.

Here he had three posts off 50 yards, from where he was standing, and about 15 yards apart, with a paper mark on each. He commenced at the left hand target and flipped his gun from one to the other and shot very fast, and with his own gun the first round didn't miss a mark, hitting them all center enough to make them fall to the ground. The marks were a little larger than a quarter, or about that size.

SHOOTING AT THREE STILL TARGETS WITHOUT SIGHT.—BY THE TEACHER.

On the same three posts, as before, he had three paper marks placed, and then shot without sight, poking the gun out before him the same as shooting without sight before. He shot this way one round at three marks, and brought two of the marks to the ground, having hit them center enough to make them fall, but missed one mark. This distance, shooting without sight, was 18 yards.

After this shooting with and without sight, he had some more marks put off, of the same size as before, for the best marksmen of the crowd to try their hand at it. There were a number of shots shortly fired and a record taken, but there was no one in the crowd who could make as good shots with sight as he ever made without sight, regardless of the shots he made with sight. Very likely there are some who will doubt the truth of this shooting, but it is something I have seen with my own eyes and is the reason I write it. The judges appointed at the shooting were: Messrs Tom Brown, Guss Wilson, J. K. Drury and myself, who together with other attendants, I am sure will bear me out in what I have said. When asked why he did better shooting at Ash Grove than at McKinney he said: At Ash Grove he shot to show his scholars that they had attended school to a teacher that could shoot a gun as well as teach school, while in McKinney he didn't want to do too well at the start, so as to discourage the citizens to take a hand also. That he shot the two last marbles and then throwed a bullet up the same size of his rifle himself and then took his winchester and drove it off the first shot is enough to show that he can plug it to 'm when he wants to. He says when he first struck Collin, when yet in his teens, he was in good practice and could shoot anything in the air large enough to see, but at the present is not quite as good as he didn't keep up sufficient practice.

I wonder if he isn't the school teacher we read about out west that produced silence in the schoolroom by taking out his gun and putting the bullets one after another through a knot hole.

Yours truly,
HENRY MOORE

Brimful

of confidence in it—the manufacturers of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. It's a faith that means business, too—it's backed up by money. This is what they offer: $500 reward for a case of Catarrh which they cannot cure. They mean it. They're willing to take the risk—they know their medicine. By its mild, soothing, cleansing and healing properties, it produces perfect and permanent cures of the worst cases of chronic Catarrh in the Head. It's doing it every day, where everything else has failed. No matter how bad your case, or of how long standing, you can be cured. You're sure of that—or of $500. You can't have both, but you'll have one or the other.

Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk Keen, since our last report:

T. K. Anderson and T. M. Murphy, J. F. Abel and Maggie Streetman, J. W. Crockett and J. V. Finch, W. G Crawford and R M. Record.

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Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and $1 bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

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We are pleased to place W. H. Slater, Farmersville, and W. Bagwill, Rhea's Mill on our list.

We were pleased to meet the editor of the Wylie Rustler in McKinney last Saturday. He called on the Democrat.

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Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, use
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it, $1 per bottle. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

The following young gentlemen, members of the Vineland base ball club, called on us Monday: F. A. Jones, A. S. Jones, D. P. Wilmeth and S. B. Sproles. They were in search of a rumored challenge from the Cross Road club, to play at the camp-meeting for a purse of $110.00. They seem ready to accept any such challenge, from Cross Road or any where else in Collin county.

The Kansas City Sun readers were disappointed last Sunday at not receiving that journal in this city. It is reported that McKinney received another write up

Don't rest on your oars while the wild wave are dashing.

A PURE BAKING POWDER.

A baking powder that can be depended upon to be free from lime and alum is a desideratum in these days of adulterated food. So far as can be judged from the official reports, the "Royal" seems to be the only one yet found by chemical analyses to be entirely without one or the other of these substances, and absolutely pure. This, it is shown, results from the exclusive use by its manufacturers of cream of tartar specially refined and prepared by patent processes which totally remove the tartrate of lime and other impurities. The cost of this chemically pure cream of tartar is much greater than any other, and it is used in no baking power except the "Royal," the manufacturers of which control the patents under which it is refined.

Dr. Edward G. Love, formerly analytical chemist for the U. S. Government, who made the analyses for the New York State Board of Health in their investigation of baking powders, and whose intimate knowledge of the ingredients of all those sold in this market enables him to speak authoritatively, says of the purity, wholesomeness, and superior quality of the "Royal" "I find the Royal Baking Powder composed of pure and wholesome ingredients. It is a cream of tartar powder, and does not contain either alum or phospates, or other injurious substance."

Prof. Love's tests, and the recent official tests by both the United States and Canadian Governments show the Royal Baking Powder to be superior to all others in strength and leavening power. It is not only the most economical in use, but makes the purest, finest-flavored and most wholesome food.

The new officials of the East Line passed over that road from Greenville to McKinney last week and took an inventory of the stock.

WEAKNESS.

Why will anyone remain weak when they can be made strong?

Everyone should know that the entire human structure is constantly being torn down and rebuilt, the same as in the vegetable world the trees shed their leaves and again put forth new shoots. Now, when the blood becomes too weak to carry to the kidneys and liver this dead tissue that should be removed, the whole system becomes enervated and a distressed feeling of weakness and unnatural fatigue follows. One feels half dead, so to speak, and literally is half dead, the old tissue clinging in

DO YOU FEEL

particles throughout the system, preventing the forming of new tissue and the awakening of new life. At such times a medicine that will enliven the blood, remove its sluggishness, fill it with red corpuscles, and strengthen it, is necessary. There is only one such medicine and that is Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla. Its action on the blood is like the effect of cream on coffee, *it makes it good.* Do you want to feel the exuberance of perfect health? Do you want to feel strong and full of life in every part? Do you want to increase your self-control and be a *perfect man or perfect woman* free from the unnatural tendencies of wasting and debilitating diseases? Then use Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel new and full of strength.

W. H. Barnes, Covington, Ky., writes: "I would now be in my grave had I not used Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla. I was pale, listless, and so weak that I spent more than

HALF DEAD?

half my time lying in bed. My memory was bad. I could not concentrate my mind on business or anything. My nights were restless, and my dreams unnaturally vivid. I lost flesh, and seemed to be wasting away. I grew despondent, and constantly fearful that something evil was going to happen. The smallest cut would run into a sore, and my blood was thin and cold. I heard Bull's Sarsaparilla was a good strengthening medicine, and so gave it a trial. It has made life seem different to me, and filled me with activity, hope and determination, while my health is all I could desire."

Mrs. Lucy Bedel, Lawrenceburg, Ind., writes: "I was weak and nervous, weighed only eighty-six pounds, took twenty-three bottles of Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla, and grew strong and fat. I now weigh 117 pounds."

☞ If you love your child, look after its welfare by occasionally giving it Dr. John Bull's Worm Destroyers. They never do harm and will keep it well.

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EDITORIALS.

LOCAL NEWS.

This morning is clear, beautiful and grand.

There is a mortgage to every seven people in the United States.

R. Q. Mills in his late Austin speech opposed the free coinage of silver.

There are over 3,000 mortgages to every county in the United States.

Wade Hampton, of South Carolina don't like the Alliance—and vice versa.

The Fort Worth Gazatte eulogized the Farmers Alliance in an editoral last week.

With the heavy rains which has fallen of late, the ground ought to raise a good crop without another crop.

Secretary Blaine knocked out the Italians in the first round, and is receiving the approval of all political parties.

President Harrison is making many friends during his southern trip. His recipracity ideas coinside with the southern people.

We notice in the Jacksboro Sentinel that B. F. Ferguson & Co. of McKinney have secured the contract of building of several bridges in Jack county.

We presume that if the mossback citizen could have had his own way from his birth to the present, he would yet be in the cradle—he would have refused to grow.

There is to be a great southern exposition held at Raleigh, N. C., from October 1st to December 1st inclusive. All the southern states are expected to have exhibits.

The split in the Kansas City Congress signifies nothing. The people of the south and west, are bound to come together on the main issues, regardless of political affiliation.

We received a nice letter last evening from Ill's. school house, which will appear in our next issue: Our correspondents will please send in their communications early in the week.

The McKinney Cumberland Reservoir published by Rev. Weaver is a welcome visitor to our exchange table. It is a neatly printed eight paged paper full of wholesome reading matter.

Charles Conner, the principal witness against John Conners, in the Conductor Brown case at Sherman, has been arrested for perjury, and in default of $500 bond was placed in jail.

"The Rustler wants about three live, entergetic men to keep off spring poets First one applying can secure the position."—Wylie Rustler

If it takes three to keep them off, how can one succeed?

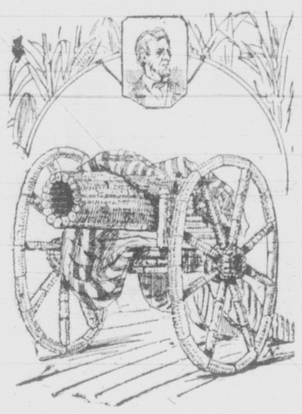
John Conners, alias Charles Parker, charged with the murder of Conductor Brown, who has been on trial at Sherman this week, has been acquitted. He was immediately re-arrested, and will probably be taken back to Missouri to stand his trial there for another offence.

COLLIN COUNTY ALLIANCE.

The Grandest Meeting

WITHIN ITS HISTORY

Held At Crossroads.



The Alliance Gun.

Notwithstanding the threatening of rain on the day before the Collin County Alliance meeting at Crossroads, in the northwest part of the county, a large number of delegates arrived in McKinney enroute to that place. The good people of that community sent wagons in to convey them out.

A Democrat reporter in mingling with the boys felt highly honored, and readily concluded that the Alliance of Collin County is composed of the best part of the farming element—honest, sturdy, determined and reasonable citizens. We found each one enthusiastic in favor of the coming great encampment at White's Grove, at which time and place a happy time is anticipated by all. The following is a report as furnished us by the secretary.

Nevada Tex. April 20th 1891.

The regular quarterly session of the Collin County Farmers Alliance met with Crossroads Alliance, on the 15th, day of April 1891, at ten o'clock a. m. The house was called to order, in the absence of the President, by the worthy vice President J. B. Marshall. After test of membership, the Alliance was opened with prayer, by our worthy chaplain, H. L. Aston, after which the Alliance was declared ready for the transaction of business. The chair first proceeded to appoint the necessary committees. Committee on credentials: Alonzo Pedon, J. O. Sutherland, R. S. Sneed. In the absence of the door keeper, Bro. G. N. Frizzell was appointed as door keeper and J. C. Denton sergt. at-arms. After appointing committees, Bro. H. C. Stelzer proceeded to give to the Collin County Farmers' Alliance an address of welcome that was calculated to make all present feel that it was well to be a member of the Farmers' Alliance.

Committee on resolutions composed of R. T. Quisenberry, G. F. Albright and A. C. Thompson.

Committee on credentials made report as follows, the following brethern are entitled to seats: Rowlett Alliance, J. C. Denton, T. S. Chandler, R. T. Quisenberry and W. J. Adams; Armstrong, H. L. Aston; White Rock, M. B. Harper, J. L. Thompson, W. A. Gills and G. A. Harper; Rock Quary, H. M. Rollins. Midway, J. Woodall, George Wells, W. M. Box, J. R. Sides and J. S. Barlow, Pleasant Hill, J. F. Jones and W. T. Crenshaw; Melissa, Z. L. Humphries; Roseman, S. N. Sutherland, and G. A. C. Ray; New Hope, M. W. Younger and J. B. Jett; Bloomdale, Charles Neely, E. R. Cox, N. W. Kerr and J. S. Watkins; Spring Hill, James Jett; New Liberty, G. N. Frizzell; Verona, W. R. McGee, A. C. Stroup and William Phillips; Prairie Grove, J. R. Hamm, Mrs. M. E. Marshall and J. J. Dement; Hickman, A. J. Dunn; Cedar, T. C. Aycock and Alonzo Pedon; Maxwell, A. Bedell and J. H. King; Lone Elm, D. P. Brown, J. R. Wilson and A. F. McDonald; McMinn, R. L. Sears; Star Point, H. H. Hoskins and L. D. Smith; Bishop, Abe Eubee, A. B. Armstead, J. F. Hardin and C. W. Stephens; Willow Springs, J. T. Branch and E. F. England; St. Paul, J. W. Morris, J. N. Reaves, W. H. Saunders and J. R. McCarty; Cross Roads, W. C. Farris and C. A. Thompson; Kreymer, G. F. Rachel; McKinney, O. D. Winn and G. F. Albright; Haggard school house, F. M. Collinsworth; White's Grove, J. G. Williams, James Coleman and A. R. Epps; Walnut Grove, W. B. Chapman; Sellers, I. D. Sellers; Weston, J. R. Green and William Kirby.

Thirty one of thirty five sub Alliances paid up dues for the quarter ending March 31 1891. The camp-meeting was declared a certainty with no Providential hinderance. Meeting to commence on Tuesday before the 3rd, Wednesday in July 1891.

Following are the committees for the encampment: committee on invitation. W. W. Chapman, W. T. Hale, Charles Neely, J. E. Bateman, K. K. Kerr and J. Y. Brooks;

Committee on securing and controlling the grounds, R. T. Quisenberry, G. W. Shields, Dr. O. D. Winn, John Melton, R. L. McDonald and J. G. Williams.

On motion a committee of three was appointed on privileges composed of W. W. Chapman, R. L. McDonald and M. W. Younger.

J. Y. Brooks was sent as deligate to confer with Hopkins County district committee that convened in Sulphur Springs on Saturday the 18th, inst. Committee made very satisfactory arrangements with said committee

Following is a list of speakers booked for the encampment: W. A. Peffer, Kansas; Evan Jones, Texas; J. F. Willetts, Kansas; L. L. Polk, N. C.; C. W. McCune, Washington, D. C.; Stump Ashby, Texas; Ralph Beaumont, Indiana; T. V. Powderly, Pennsylvania; Jerry Simpson, Kansas; James B. Weaver, Iowa; L. F. Livingston, Ga., also Ben Terrell, W. E. Farmer, J. M. Pardue, W. S. Morgan, and others.

Sulphur Springs encampment will convene at Sulphur Springs, July 27, immediately after the Collin county encampment closes on Saturday July 25th. The Collin county encampment will convene with Collin county Farmers' Alliance, at Whites Grove, 3 miles southwest from McKinney, on Tuesday the 21st day of July 1891.

A complete program of the encampment will be published in the near future, in the different papers friendly to the Alliance. Success to The DEMOCRAT, readers and encampment.

J. Y. BROOKS,
Sec'y Collin county Alliance

A noticable feature of the meeting was the presence of the fair sex. The night meeting was attended by a large crowd.

A lady sitting in the back part of the house passed the following compliment on the delegates whom she recognized by their blue badges. "I tell you, they are intelligent, honest and substantial looking gentlemen."

An ex-member of the Alliance was present and declared that he would join right away—that he couldn't feel comfortable out side, while so many gray haired veterans continued to work so manfully and earnestly in the interest of the great laboring masses.

The speeches were well delivered and highly appreciated by the throng present.

It is expected that the camp-meeting will be attended by at least 10,000 people. One gentleman has offered $150 for privilege of selling lemonade. It is thought that the sale of privileges will amply pay expenses. Everybody regardless of political affiliation will be invited and the greatest social love feast within the history of Collin county be had.

Hogs from Kansas.

"There were received at the Fort Worth packing house from Kansas to-day, via the Cotton Belt road from Kansas City, 1125 head of hogs. This train load makes a grand total of 5500 head brought to the packing house from Kansas by this one road within a few weeks. The company keeps a man in that state purchasing hogs, for the reason that the supply furnished by Texas is not sufficient to fill the demand. The packing house people are paying 4 1-4 cents for good fat Texas hogs and would rather have them than those they got in Kansas, even at a higher price. They are constantly sending circular letters to Texas farmers urging them to pay more attention to swine raising and showing them where the money is in the business."

Why not raise more hogs in Texas? If the Kansas farmers can raise hogs to ship here to Texas, at a profit the Texas farmers can surely supply their own demands. Hogs can be raised as cheap and with less trouble here in Texas than any other state, and it would soon be a payable industry, that would not in the least interfere with the farming.

The following Texans left Austin, last Sunday evening for Kansas City, to attend the commercial congress at that place. Senators Johnson, Kimbrough and Townsend and representatives Owsley, Baker Hamblem and Perry. The members of the committee appointed by the governor are: McElevee, Goodman, Rogers, McCunningham and Hood.

Ingersoll in a closing eulogy of Barret, the great actor says: "In the drama of human life all are actors and no one knows his part. In the great play the scenes are shifted by unseen forces, and the commencement, plot and end are still unknown, are unguessed. One by one the players leaves the stage and others takes their places. There is no pause. The play goes on. No prompter's voice is heard and no one has the slightest clue as to what the next scene is to be. Will this drama have an end? Will the curtain fall at last? Will it rise again upon some other stage? Reasons says perhaps, and hope still whispers yes. Sadly I bid my friend farewell. I admired the actor and loved the man.'

A Grand Entertainment.

WONDERFUL MARKSMANSHIP.

An account of an exhibition of marksmanship given at Ash Grove, on the last day of school, by J. C. J. Waters, (Canada Jim) had been sent by Mr. Henry Moore, through the mail for publication, but apparently having been misplaced is now published.

ROLAND, TEX, MARCH 16, '91.

A well devised and much appreciated entertainment was given by J. C. J. Waters, the teacher, on Friday of the last day of his school, in which was given speeches, declimations, and rehearsals, attended with violin music, and in conclusion a display of his marksmanship. The music was given by Messrs Charley Cox and Semour Brown, The form of the shooting given was, as is indicated by the headings given underneath.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING BY THE CROWD.

After introducing the shooting by throwing of several brick-bats and shattering them and throwing up a tin-can about the size of a small fist and shooting two holes through it before it hit the ground, showing how it was done, he had the crowd try their hand at it. The crowd (all that would) took two shots apiece and all together fired about 100 shots. The crowd in all their shots, according to the rules, made but one-tenth of a score, which was made by Vody Burkett, one of the scholars.

RIFLE WING SHOOTING AT FLYING BRICK-BATS WITH A PITCHER —100 SHOTS—BY THE TEACHER.

The pitcher would throw up half and quarter brick-bats, some close by and others farther off, which he would shatter one with the first shot and then pick out some of the larger pieces and shoot and make dust out of them. This was all so quick done that it was hard to tell just how many of the pieces he would hit. If he missed any of the main brick-bats I don't know it. He would shoot 2, 3, and sometimes 4 times before the pieces would fall to the ground. Many times I could plainly see him hit the second shot and once or twice that I know of I saw him hit with the third shot. A remarkable feature about this shooting is that he shoot the 100 shots in much less than two minutes time; having had three winchesters, and a man to load them. This may seem incredible, but will be plain when it is known he can shoot 3 times a second. John Calahan, who was one of the men detailed to load the guns, said he shot so fast at one time that he didn't give the hammer time to fall down far enough to crack the cap and throwed the cartridge out in place of a hull.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING AT FLYING BRICK-BATS BY THROWING THEM IN THE AIR THEN TAKING A WINCHESTER AND SHOOTING THEM.—BY THE TEACHER.

Under this kind of shooting he done about the same as with a pitcher. Here he would also throw up small tin cans and shoot 1, 2, and sometimes 3 holes through them before they would fall to the ground.

SHOOTING TIN CANS, BRICK-BATS, ETC., WITHOUT SIGHT.—BY TEACHER.

Here he would have tin cans and brick-bats set off away from him different distances and then poke the gun out before him about hip high and shoot them without sight. He would flip his gun from one to the other and shoot wonderfully fast and rarely ever missed. He would shoot under cans without sight and knock them up and then throw his gun to his face and shoot them once and twice before they would hit the ground.

RIFLE-WING SHOOTING AT SMALL MARBLES, HICKORY NUTS, AND BULLETS THE SAME SIZE OF THE RIFLE BALL.—BY THE TEACHER.

The judges pronounced him hiting 4 marbles out of 6, 2 hickory nuts out of 3, and 2 bullets out of 4. He says his misses were due to changing to substances of different velocities so much, and besides too slugish muscles due to confinement in the school room, and shooting without practicing up before hand.

SHOOTING AT THREE STILL TARGETS WITH SIGHT.—BY THE TEACHER.

Here he had three posts off 50 yards, from where he was standing, and about 15 yards apart, with a paper mark on each. He commenced at the left hand target and flipped his gun from one to the other and shot very fast, and with his own gun the first round didn't miss a mark, hitting them all center enough to make them fall to the ground. The marks were a little larger than a quarter, or about that size.

SHOOTING AT THREE STILL TARGETS WITHOUT SIGHT.—BY THE TEACHER.

On the same three posts, as before, he had three paper marks placed, and then shot without sight, poking the gun out before him the same as shooting without sight before. He shot this way one round at three marks, and brought two of the marks to the ground, having hit them center enough to make them fall, but missed one mark. This distance, shooting without sight, was 18 yards.

After this shooting with and without sight, he had some more marks put off, of the same size as before, for the best marksmen of the crowd to try their hand at it. There were a number of shots shortly fired and a record taken, but there was no one in the crowd who could make as good shots with sight as he ever made without sight, regardless of the shots he made with sight. Very likely there are some who will doubt the truth of this shooting, but it is something I have seen with my own eyes and is the reason I write it. The judges appointed at the shooting were: Messrs Tom Brown, Guss Wilson, J. K. Drury and myself, who together with other attendants, I am sure will bear me out in what I have said. When asked why he did better shooting at Ash Grove than at McKinney he said: At Ash Grove he shot to show his scholars that they had attended school to a teacher that could shoot a gun as well as teach school, while in McKinney he didn't want to do too well at the start, so as to discourage the citizens to take a hand also. That he shot the two last marbles and then throwed a bullet up the same size of his rifle himself and then took his winchester and drove it off the first shot is enough to show that he can plug it to 'm when he wants to. He says when he first struck Collin, when yet in his 'teens, he was in good practice and could shoot anything in the air large enough to see, but at the present is not quite as good as he didn't keep up sufficient practice.

I wonder if he isn't the school teacher we read about out west that produced silence in the schoolroom by taking out his gun and putting the bullets one after another through a knot hole.

Yours truly,
HENRY MOORE

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Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk Keen, since our last report:

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The following young gentlemen, members of the Vineland base ball club, called on us Monday: F. A. Jones, A. S. Jones, D. P. Wilmeth and S. B. Sproles. They were in search of a rumored challenge from the Cross Road club, to play at the camp-meeting for a purse of $110.00. They seem ready to accept any such challenge, from Cross Road or any where else in Collin county.

The Kansas City Sun readers were disappointed last Sunday at not receiving that journal in this city. It is reported that McKinney received another write up

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A baking powder that can be depended upon to be free from lime and alum is a desideratum in these days of adulterated food. So far as can be judged from the official reports, the "Royal" seems to be the only one yet found by chemical analyses to be entirely without one or the other of these substances, and absolutely pure. This, it is shown, results from the exclusive use by its manufacturers of cream of tartar specially refined and prepared by patent processes which totally remove the tartrate of lime and other impurities. The cost of this chemically pure cream of tartar is much greater than any other, and it is used in no baking power except the "Royal," the manufacturers of which control the patents under which it is refined.

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The new officials of the East Line passed over that road from Greenville to McKinney last week and took an inventory of the stock.

WEAKNESS.

Why will anyone remain weak when they can be made strong?

Everyone should know that the entire human structure is constantly being torn down and rebuilt, the same as in the vegetable world the trees shed their leaves and again put forth new shoots. Now, when the blood becomes too weak to carry to the kidneys and liver this dead tissue that should be removed, the whole system becomes enervated and a distressed feeling of weakness and unnatural fatigue follows. One feels half dead, so to speak, and literally is half dead, the old tissue clinging in

DO YOU FEEL

particles throughout the system, preventing the forming of new tissue and the quickening of new life. At such times a medicine that will enliven the blood, remove its sluggishness, fill it with red corpuscles, and strengthen it, is necessary. There is only one such medicine and that is Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla. Its action on the blood is like the effect of cream on coffee, *it makes it good.* Do you want to feel the exuberance of perfect health? Do you want to feel strong and full of life in every part? Do you want to increase your self-control and be a *perfect* man or *perfect* woman, free from the unnatural tendencies of wasting and debilitating diseases? Then use Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel new and full of strength.

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HALF DEAD?

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We feel it our duty to compliment the committee of arrangement of the camp-meeting, that they have bared out all gamblers or liquor sellers, and have fortified themselves by having controll of grounds for a considerable distance all around the grove.

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PERSONAL.

J. B Marshall was in the city t week.

J. T. Branch was in McKin y last week.

C. J. Moore, of Anna, was in e city yesterday.

Philip Meyers, of Dallas was the city Monday.

F. M Craig a Dallasite was our city Monday.

J. J. Simmons, of Dallas, was our city Monday.

Ben F. Hudson, of Dallas was the city Tuesday.

C. T. Scott, of Dallas was in r city Wednesday.

Henry Ball, of Dallas, was the city Tuesday.

J. Y. Brooks called on us Thursday evening.

Prof. Doyle, of Lucas was in e city last Saturday.

Dr. Basket, of Van Alstyne, pent Friday in the city.

Dr. T. C. Reedy, of Bonham, as in the city Tuesday.

John O. Baldock came up om Dallas last Tuesday.

J. E. Bateman, of Weston, as in McKinney yesterday.

Rev. T. W. Erwin spent the rst of the week in Sherman.

Jerome Sneed, of Princeton, as in our city last Saturday.

A. P. Chamberlain, of Deni- on was in the city Tuesday.

Will Gleason made a visit to Dallas Saturday and Sunday.

H. D. Maroom, of Dallas, was n McKinney on Wednesday st.

N. and H. Adam's, Denison tes were in McKinney Tues ay.

Prof. Chandler, of Austin College, was in the city Satur ay.

Jas. P. Dowell made a brief usiness trip to Dallas yester ay.

J. B. Watson, of Lebanon, ave us a hearty shake this eek.

Henry M. Rollins, of Farm- rsville, was in the city last eek.

Lucian Paradore left Mon ay for a visit to friends in Dallas.

Mrs. J. L. Hill, of Weather- ord, is in the city this week isiting.

Rev. R. K. Mosely will pre ach at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday.

Chas. Easters, of Dallas spent aturday and Sunday with friends in the city.

H. L. Davis was re-elected City Recorder by the city coun cil last Tuesday night.

J. B. Howell, the rustling New York Life man from An na, called on us Monday.

J. W. Mahan, proprietor of the Sherman business college was in the city Saturday.

Miss Aggie McCameron left Sunday evening for a visit to friends and relatives in Dallas She returns Saturday.

Miss Maggie Darnell, of Celina, who has been teaching in the Plano school the past session returned home Monday.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

John Cook returned from Cooke county last Tuesday.

Our young friend Bob Benson came in from Cooke county this week.

Mrs. Mountcastle, mother of G. C. Mountcastle died at Sher man last evening.

Mrs. J. R. Joiner visited in McKinney this week.

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The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruisks sores, ulcers, salt rheum. fever sores, tetter, chap ped hands, childblains, corns and all skin erup tions and Positively cures Piles, or no money re quired. It is guaranteed to gile perfec teatifacto tion, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per bo For Sale By E N McAULAY and Fro

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☞Dr. T. C. Reedy, of Greenville, will be at the City Hotel, on the 21st and 22nd instant,

☞Our prices are the low- est and our goods are the best.

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For Rent,

Two or three small places of 20 to 30 acres each. Call on J. A. Evans, attorney at law, McKinney, Tex.

☞If you wish to know the real value of any article you must come to the Mississippi Store for we sell for cash and have but one price.

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Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds. Also toilet articles of any de- scription; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see hem, east side of the square.

☞The Mississippi Store is selling all kinds of dress goods cheaper than any house in Mc- Kinney.

☞Bird cages from 50 cents to $1.00, at the Racket Store.

☞We challenge competi- tion from any and all quarters on the prices of our goods, at the Mississippi Store.

Hon. Henry A. Finch, con- templates building a new resi- dence.

Always avoid harsh purgative pills. They first make you sick and then leave you constipated. Carter's Little Liver Pills regulate the bowels and make you well Dose, one pill.

☞Webb & Porter can be found on East Louisiana street. Call and see them when you want anything in their line.

TO TRADE for a good single driver and saddle horse, some gilt edge, short time notes.

R. R. Democrat Office.

PICNIC.

Fishers can get a jointed pole complete at the Racket Store for 15 cents, also 25 hooks for five cents.

We call attention to the large ad of Barkley and Harris on our first page. These gentlemen appreciate the large share of the people's patronage, which they are receiving and are liber- al users of printers ink to make known the many business ad- vantages they possess.

Services at the Baptist church at the usual hours next Sunday. Special young peoples' meeting in the afternoon, at 3:30. The pastor will deliver a chalk sermon, at this meet- ing. Theme. "Jacob's love for Joseph."

The promptness and certain- ty of its cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy famous. It is intended especi- lly for coughs, colds, crup and whooping cough, and is the most effectual remedy known for these diseases. 50 cent bot- tles for sale by Bristol Bros.

Mood Bellew was cussed by a negress last Sunday when he hit her with a brickbat She was calaboosed for her misde- meanor.

Answer this Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, com- ing up of the food, yellow skin, when for 75 cents we will sell hem Shiloh's Vitalizer, guar- anteed to cure them.—Bristol Bros.

It is reported that several "knock downs" took place in McKinney last Sunday. We suppose it being a dull rainy day the boys felt "blue" and took too much "how come you so."

For years the editor of the Burlington Junction, (Mo.,) Post, has been subject to cramp colic or fits of indigestion, which prostrated him for sev- eral hours and unfited him for business for two or three days. For the past year he has been useing Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhœa Remedy whenever occasion required, and it has inverably given him prompt relief. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros

The ladies of the Baptist church will give a sociable at the residence of W. J. Thur- man, next Tuesday evening. You will be welcome there. If you go your small offering to help out these working ladies will be received cordially. No charges for refreshment.

For a number of years I have been subject to violent attacts of inflammatory rheum- atism which generally lasted about two months. On the first of this month I was attack ed in the knee and suffered severely for two days, when I procured a bottle of Chamber- lain's Pain Balm and it relieved me almost instantly. I there- fore most cheerfully recom- mend it to those who are simi- larly afflicted everywhere;—R. D. WHITLEY, Martindale, N. C., Feb. 1888. Mr. Whitley is a very prominent man in this place and his disease was very widely known as he suf- fered such severe pain. W. M. Houston & Co., merchants, Martindale, N. C. 50 cent bot- tles for sale by Bristol Bros.

It is with deep regret that we learn of the death of Jim Alli- son, which lately occurred in Kansas. He is a son of Col. R. D. Allison and was highly regarded by all who knew him, as a gentleman of rare attain- ments—both mentally and morally. In the meridian of life, while the breeze of holy ambition was sterring every leaf—when hope with its beau tiful rays shone along the path of noble aspiration, he was cruelly cut down by the unseen hand of death. W ad- mired the man—we revere his memory.

PROGRESS.

It is very important in this age of vast material progress that a remedy be pleasing to the taste and to the eye, easily taken, acceptable to the stom- ach and healthy in its nature and effects. Possessing these qualities, Syrup of Figs is the one perfect laxative and most gentle diuretic known.

Mrs. Sarah Pair, an old resi- dent of this county was arrest- ed Tuesday charged with lunacy.

Miles' Nerve & Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels through the nerves. A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedly cure biliousness bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipa- tion. Unequal for men, women, chil- dren. Smallest mildest, surest! 50 doses, 25 cts. Sample Free, at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

Ice Cream Supper.

The ladies of the C. P. church will give an ice cream supper to-night, at G. R Wear's art gallery. Every body is invited to attend.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you won- der what ails you. You should, heed the warning, you are tak- ing the first step into nervous prostration. You need a nerve tonic and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous sys- tem to its normal, healthy con- dition. Surprising results fol- low the use of this great nerve tonic and alterative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the liver and kidneys resume regular action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at E. N. McAuley's Drug Store.

The third story of the Bel- mont Hotel is fast being built.

LOST on Sunday the 12th inst, between Boggess farm (near Plano) and Dublin, on the Plano and Rockwall road, a bunch of keys, on a ring with a bone tag, no name on tag. Any person returning same to me will be liberally rewarded.

G. W. KENNEDY, Plano, Tex.

Neat invitation cards are out inviting all to attend services at the Baptist church in McKin- ney.

Oh, What a Cough!

Will you heed the warning? The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease consumption. Ask yourself if you can afford for the sake of saving 50 cents to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a million bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by Bristol Bros.

Dr. E. N. McAuley will erect a handsome residence soon on North Kentucky Street.

THE NEW DISCOVERY

You have heard your friends and your neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial Dr Kings New Discovery ever af- ter holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, cold or any Throat, Lung or Chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed very time, or money refunded Trial Bottle Free at E. N. McAuley & Bro's

The handsome residence of Dr. J. C. Irwin on north Kentuc- ky street, is nearly completed.

That tired, languid feeling and dull headache is very disagreeable. Take two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before retiring, and you will find relief. They never fail to do good.

Negro Phil who escaped from the calaboose, was recaptured last Sunday north of McKinney.

A Fatal Mistake.

Phsicians make no more fatal mistake than when they info patients that nervous hea troubles come from the stom- ach and are of little conse quence. Dr. Franklin Miles, the noted Indiana specialist, has proven the contrary in his new book on "Heart Disease," which may be had free at Smith Bros. drug store, who guarantees and recommends Dr. Miles' unequaled New Heart Cure, which has the largest sale of any heart reme- dy in the world. It cures ner- vous and organic heart disease, short breath, fluttering, pain or tenderness in the side, arm or shoulder, irregular pulse, fainting, smothering, dropsy, etc. His Restorative Nervine cures headache, fits, etc.

From Johnson School House.

APRIL 21th, 1891.

Editor of the Democrat

The exibition is a thing of the past.

The recent rains have stopped farming in this community.

Health is good.

Bro. Philips did not go to Dallas, on acount of the severe rains.

Prof. R. F. McLarry is pro- gressing with the arithmetic school. He is a good teacher.

Prof. Green has given general satisfaction as teacher.

As news is scarce in these parts we will close. While nature smiles over us we lay us down to sleep.

A CHEROCHEE.

How to Succeed.

This is the great problem of life which few satisfactorily solve. Some fail because of poor health, others want of luck, but the majority from de- ficient grit — want of nerve. They are nervous, irresolute, changeable, easily get the blues and "take the spirits down to keep the spirits up," thus wast- ing money, time, opportunity and nerve force. There is noth- ing like the Restorative Ner- vine, discovered by the great specialist, Dr. Miles, to cure all nervous diseases, as headache, the blues, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance, fits and hysteria. Trial bottles and fine book of testimonials free at Smith Bros. drug store.

There is a good joke being circulated on Drs. Gisbon and Wiley.

Old Nursery Favorites.

There was Tom, the Son of the Piper,
Jack Sprat, and Merry King Cole,
And the Three Wise Men of Gotham,
Who went to sea in a bowl;
The woman who rode on a broomstick,
And swept the cobwebbed sky,
And the boy who sat in the corner,
Eating his Christmas pie.

These were some of the old favorites, but they have been supplanted by the "Pansy" and "Chatterbox" stories, "Little Lord Fauntleroy," and "Five Little Peppers." The Old fashioned pill and physics have been suspended, and wisely, too, by Pierce's Purgative Pel- lets, a mild, harmless and effec- tive cathartic. They are pleas- ant to take—so gentle in their action that the most delicate child can take them, yet so ef- fective that they will cure the most obstinate cases of consti- pation, stomach, liver and bowel troubles. They should be in every nersery. As a gen- tle laxative, only one for a dose.

WYLIE ITEMS.

[Rustler.]

Farmers are busy as bees.

Corn planting is about done.

Fishing is the order of the day.

Garden truck will soon be ready.

Joe Daniel was in Dallas Tuesday.

John Burnes, of Dallas, was in the city last Tuesday.

T. E. Ball, the insurance man, was in the city last Tues day.

W. M. Rucker was in Plano last Friday.

Col. J. E. Enwright was in Dallas last week.

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In Clothing, Shoes, and Dry Goods.

S. WISEMAN.

Some Special Bargains This Week.

Be Sure and Call on

S. WISEMAN.

New Block, Northeast Corner Square.

William Cooper was in Plano last Monday.

J. W. Cook went to Dallas last Tuesday.

W. H. Hooks went to Plano last Monday.

Let us give thanks. Gentle Annie has arrived.

Miss Minnie Callaway, of Plano was visiting in the city last Saturday.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. An- dy Jones, on the 14th, a fine boy. Mother and child doing well.

Rev. J. Bishop preached two elegant sermons at the Baptist church, last Sunday, to crowd- ed houses.

A few farmers are planting their corn over, having failed to get a good stand.

W. H. Hicks, who is now teaching at Parker, this coun- ty, was in the city last Sunday.

Several couples attended a school exhibition in the coun- try last Friday night.

Wylie has two first-class mills and gins, and they were both putting in good time last Saturday.

Miss Mattie Butler, of Plano, visited her brother, Bailey But- ler last Friday, returned Mon- day.

Mrs. W. B. Cannon, accom- panied by her sister, Annie McDonald went to Dallas last Tuesday, returning Wednes- day.

Tom P. Williams in retiring from the office of mayor of this city leaves a clear record, and has made the city a good mayor. The newly elected mayor has our best wishes.

The city council met last Sat urday night, and the new offi- cers were "sworn in." The old officers retiring leave a clear record, and we cheerfully greet the new ones.

Bob Irby came over from Dallas last Sunday to see his best girl. Bob is a clever young man, and we are always glad to see him.

Annie McDonald, of Alvara- do, sister of Mrs. W. B. Can- non, is in the city visiting. She will remain several days.

The Cotton Belt road is in a better condition this spring than ever before known in the history of the road.

Joe Rucker was in the busy whirl of Dallas last Tuesday.

Farmersville Items.

[Times.]

J. P. Bledsoe has moved his family to Greenville.

Emma Turner and Ivy Marsh are visiting in Whitewright.

Mrs. Charles York left Mon- day for a visit to her grand- mother at Mineola.

Mrs. W. N. Collier was the guest of Mrs. Dr. King, the first of the week.

Mrs. Elijah Glass visited her daughter Mrs. Farish, at Oak Cliff this week.

Capt, T. F. Mangum, a prom- inent attorney at McKinney, was in the city this week on legal business.

Rev. W. P. Cloyd, of McKin- ney, has accepted a call to act as pastor for the C. P. church of this place.

Mexican Mustang Liniment.

A Cure for the Ailments of Man and Beast.

A long-tested pain reliever.

Its use is almost universal by the Housewife, the Farmer, the Stock Raiser, and by every one requiring an effective liniment.

No other application compares with it in efficacy.

This well-known remedy has stood the test of years, almost generations.

No medicine chest is complete without a bottle of MUSTANG LINIMENT.

Occasions arise for its use almost every day.

All druggists and dealers have it.

Several of the young people, including Prof. Waneck's or- chestra, attended a party at the residence of Mont King last Monday night and had a pleas- ant time.

Rev. J. E. Huddleston, is vis- iting the family of J. T. De- Shields.

Our people have been con- siderably stirred up this week over the reports about the spotted fever and several fami- lies have stopped their chil- dren from school on account of it. As there has been no cases nearer than Copeville, we hope their fears will prove ground- less.

Plano Items.

[Enquirer,]

R. W. Ingram is sick.

J, T. Lewis went to Dallas Tuesday.

G. W. Bowman was in Dallas Monday.

Mrs. Andrew of Renner is visiting in the city.

I. H. Connelley went to Dal- las Tuesday.

J. A. Moreman was in Dallas Tuesday.

J. T. Kendrick was in Mc- Kinney Monday.

A singing was had at A. Bedell's Saturday night.

Ed Dunlap of Richardson was in the city Monday.

John Loveless of Richardson was in the city Monday.

Rev. L. A. Dunlap preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

R. B. Rice and family visit- ed Lebanon several days this week.

Ida Turner has been visiting friends in McKinney the past week.

Birdie Foreman of McKinney is visiting in the city.

W. D. McFarlin went to Dal- las Monday on business.

W. D. Anderson of Lancaster is visiting W. S. Cummings this week.

J. D. Cottrell and wife were in Dallas Tuesday.

The report which has been circulated in these parts, that J. H. Burns and Mrs. Mollie Sim- mons of Wylie had eloped and married is untrue. Nothing of the sort has occurred.—G. W. Platt.

A runaway which came near proving serious occurred on our streets Saturday. Mrs. Brent and her three small children be- ing in the wagon, when the mules took fright, but fortu- nately a gentleman saw them in time to check their flight and thus undoubtedly averted a ser- ious accident.

Sallie Key left Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Luke Reeser who lives nine miles east of McKinney.

P. B. Hale of near McKinney was in Plano not long since. He has purchased a home and is very much elated with the idea of living at home again.

This section had a very fine, rain Sunday night which was very much needed. Gardens wheat and oats are taking on new life and rejoice in the de- lightful moisture.

The District Conference for the Dallas Presiding Elders District, North Texas Confer- anfie, will convene in Plano on the 21st of May. Bishop Hay- good, the great Georgian, will be in attendance, and preside over its session. A great meet- ing is expected.

Mr. Smith of the firm of Sett- ritt and Smith of Dallas, archi tects, is in the city. They are contractor's for building the new C. C. bank.

All cases of weak or lame back, back- ache, rheumatism, will find relief by wearing one of Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters. Price 25 cents. Try them.

Many persons were disap- pointed, owing to the rainy weather, in not geting to hear Rev. Weaver at the C. P. church last Sunday night.

If you feel weak and all worn out take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

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Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m and 7:15 p. m. Rev. J. A. Stafford, pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:45 a. m. ——— superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7: 0.

CHRISTIAN.

Preaching every Sabbath morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Elder Pritchett, pastor. Sunday school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. P. Harris, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m and 7:45 p. m.. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock. T. C. Terry, superintendent.

PERSONAL.

J. B Marshall was in the city last week.

J T Branch was in McKinney last week.

C. J. Moore, of Anna, was in the city yesterday.

Philip Meyers, of Dallas was in the city Monday.

F. M Craig a Dallasite was in our city Monday.

J. J. Simmons, of Dallas, was in our city Monday.

Ben F. Hudson, of Dallas was in the city Tuesday.

C. T. Scott, of Dallas was in our city Wednesday.

Henry Ball, of Dallas, was in the city Tuesday.

J. Y. Brooks called on us Thursday evening.

Prof. Doyle, of Lucas was in the city last Saturday.

Dr. Basket, of Van Alstyne, spent Friday in the city.

Dr. T. C. Reedy, of Bonham, was in the city Tuesday.

John O. Baldock came up from Dallas last Tuesday.

J. E. Bateman, of Weston, was in McKinney yesterday.

Rev. T. W. Erwin spent the first of the week in Sherman.

Jerome Sneed, of Princeton, was in our city last Saturday.

A. P. Chamberlain, of Denison was in the city Tuesday.

Will Gleason made a visit to Dallas Saturday and Sunday.

H. D. Maroom, of Dallas, was in McKinney on Wednesday last.

N. and H. Adam's, Denison ites were in McKinney Tuesday.

Prof. Chandler, of Austin College, was in the city Saturday.

Jas. P. Dowell made a brief business trip to Dallas yesterday.

J. B. Watson, of Lebanon, gave us a hearty shake this week.

Henry M. Rollins, of Farmersville, was in the city last week.

Lucian Paradore left Monday for a visit to friends in Dallas.

Mrs. J. L. Hill, of Weatherford, is in the city this week visiting.

Rev. R. K. Mosely will preach at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday.

Chas. Easters, of Dallas spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in the city.

H. L. Davis was re-elected City Recorder by the city council last Tuesday night.

J. B. Howell, the rustling New York Life man from Anna, called on us Monday.

J. W. Mahan, proprietor of the Sherman business college was in the city Saturday.

Miss Aggie McCameron left Sunday evening for a visit to friends and relatives in Dallas She returns Saturday.

Miss Maggie Darnell, of Celina, who has been teaching in the Plano school the past session returned home Monday.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

John Cook returned from Cooke county last Tuesday.

Our young friend Bob Benson came in from Cooke county this week.

Mrs. Mountcastle, mother of G. C. Mountcastle died at Sherman last evening.

Mrs. J. R. Joiner visited in McKinney this week.

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☞Dr. T. C. Reedy, of Greenville, will be at the City Hotel, on the 21st and 22nd instant.

☞Our prices are the lowest and our goods are the best.

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For Rent.

Two or three small places of 20 to 30 acres each. Call on J. A. Evans, attorney at law, McKinney, Tex.

☞If you wish to know the real value of any article you must come to the Mississippi Store for we sell for cash and have but one price.

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Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds. Also toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see hem, east side of the square.

☞The Mississippi Store is selling all kinds of dress goods cheaper than any house in McKinney.

☞Bird cages from 50 cents to $1.00, at the Racket Store.

☞We challenge competition from any and all quarters on the prices of our goods, at the Mississippi Store.

Hon. Henry A. Finch, contemplates building a new residence.

Always avoid harsh purgative pills. They first make you sick and then leave you constipated. Carter's Little Liver Pills regulate the bowels and make you well Dose, one pill.

☞Webb & Porter can be found on East Louisiana street. Call and see them when you want anything in their line.

TO TRADE for a good single driver and saddle horse, some gilt edge, short time notes.

R. R. Democrat Office.

PICNIC.

Fishers can get a jointed pole complete at the Racket Store for 15 cents, also 25 hooks for five cents.

We call attention to the large ad of Barkley and Harris on our first page. These gentlemen appreciate the large share of the people's patronage, which they are receiving and are liberal users of printers ink to make known the many business advantages they possess.

Services at the Baptist church at the usual hours next Sunday. Special young peoples' meeting in the afternoon, at 3:30. The pastor will deliver a chalk sermon, at this meeting. Theme. "Jacob's love for Joseph."

The promptness and certainty of its cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy famous. It is intended especilly for coughs, colds, crup and whooping cough, and is the most effectual remedy known for these diseases. 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros.

Mood Bellew was cussed by a negress last Sunday when he hit her with a brickbat She was calaboosed for her misdemeanor.

Answer this Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, coming up of the food, yellow skin, when for 75 cents we will sell hem Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them.—Bristol Bros.

It is reported that several "knock downs" took place in McKinney last Sunday. We suppose it being a dull rainy day the boys felt "blue" and took too much "how come you so."

For years the editor of the Burlington Junction, (Mo.,) Post, has been subject to cramp colic or fits of indigestion, which prostrated him for several hours and unfited him for business for two or three days. For the past year he has been useing Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhœa Remedy whenever occasion required, and it has inverably given him prompt relief. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros

The ladies of the Baptist church will give a sociable at the residence of W. J. Thurman, next Tuesday evening. You will be welcome there. If you go your small offering to help out these working ladies will be received cordially. No charges for refreshment.

For a number of years I have been subject to violent attacts of inflammatory rheumatism which generally lasted about two months. On the first of this month I was attacked in the knee and suffered severely for two days, when I procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it relieved me almost instantly. I therefore most cheerfully recommend it to those who are similarly afflicted everywhere;—R. D. WHITLEY, Martindale, N. C., Feb. 1888. Mr. Whitley is a very prominent man in this place and his disease was very widely known as he suffered such severe pain. W. M. Houston & Co., merchants, Martindale, N. C. 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros.

It is with deep regret that we learn of the death of Jim Allison, which lately occurred in Kansas. He is a son of Col. R. D. Allison and was highly regarded by all who knew him, as a gentleman of rare attainments—both mentally and morally. In the meridian of life, while the breeze of holy ambition was sterring every leaf—when hope with its beautiful rays shone along the path of noble aspiration, he was cruelly cut down by the unseen hand of death. We admired the man—we revere his memory.

PROGRESS.

It is very important in this age of vast material progress that a remedy be pleasing to the taste and to the eye, easily taken, acceptable to the stomach and healthy in its nature and effects. Possessing these qualities, Syrup of Figs is the one perfect laxative and most gentle diuretic known.

Mrs. Sarah Pair, an old resident of this county was arrested Tuesday charged with lunacy.

Miles' Nerve & Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels through the nerves. A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedly cure billiousness bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequal for men, women, children. Smallest mildest, surest! 50 doses, 25 cts. Sample Free, at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

Ice Cream Supper.

The ladies of the C. P. church will give an ice cream supper to-night, at G. R Wear's art gallery. Every body is invited to attend.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should, heed the warning, you are taking the first step into nervous prostration. You need a nerve tonic and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great nerve tonic and alterative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the liver and kidneys resume regular action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at E. N. McAuley's Drug Store.

The third story of the Belmont Hotel is fast being built.

Lost on Sunday the 12th inst, between Boggess farm (near Plano) and Dublin, on the Plano and Rockwall road, a bunch of keys, on a ring with a bone tag, no name on tag. Any person returning same to me will be liberally rewarded.

G. W. KENNEDY, Plano, Tex.

Neat invitation cards are out inviting all to attend services at the Baptist church in McKinney.

Oh, What a Cough!

Will you heed the warning? The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease consumption. Ask yourself if you can afford for the sake of saving 50 cents to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a million bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by Bristol Bros.

Dr. E. N. McAuley will erect a handsome residence soon on North Kentucky Street.

THE NEW DISCOVERY

You have heard your friends and your neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial Dr Kings New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should pe afflicted with a cough, cold or any Throat, Lung or Chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed very time, or money refunded Trial Bottle Free at E. N. McAuley & Bro's

The handsome residence of Dr. J. C. Erwin on north Kentucky street, is nearly completed.

That tired, languid feeling and dull headache is very disagreeable. Take two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before retiring, and you will find relief. They never fail to do good.

Negro Phil who escaped from the calaboose, was recaptured last Sunday north of McKinney.

A Fatal Mistake.

Phsicians make no more fatal mistake than when they info patients that nervous heat troubles come from the stomach and are of little consequence. Dr. Franklin Miles, the noted Indiana specialist, has proven the contrary in his new book on "Heart Disease," which may be had free at Smith Bros. drug store, who guarantees and recommends Dr. Miles' unequaled New Heart Cure, which has the largest sale of any heart remedy in the world. It cures nervous and organic heart disease, short breath, fluttering, pain or tenderness in the side, arm or shoulder, irregular pulse, fainting, smothering, dropsy, etc. His Restorative Nervine cures headache, fits, etc.

From Johnson School House.

APRIL 21th, 1891.

Editor of the Democrat

The exibition is a thing of the past.

The recent rains have stopped farming in this community.

Health is good.

Bro. Philips did not go to Dallas, on acount of the severe rains.

Prof. R. F. McLarry is progressing with the arithmetic school. He is a good teacher.

Prof. Green has given general satisfaction as teacher.

As news is scarce in these parts we will close. While nature smiles over us we lay us down to sleep.

A CHEROCHEE.

How to Succeed.

This is the great problem of life which few satisfactorily solve. Some fail because of poor health, others want of luck, but the majority from deficient grit — want of nerve. They are nervous, irresolute, changeable, easily get the blues and "take the spirits down to keep the spirits up," thus wasting money, time, opportunity and nerve force. There is nothing like the Restorative Nervine, discovered by the great specialist, Dr. Miles, to cure all nervous diseases, as headache, the blues, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance, fits and hysteria. Trial bottles and fine book of testimonials free at Smith Bros. drug store.

There is a good joke being circulated on Drs. Gisbon and Wiley.

Old Nursery Favorites.

There was Tom, the Son of the Piper,
Jack Sprat, and Merry King Cole,
And the Three Wise Men of Gotham,
Who went to sea in a bowl;
The woman who rode on a broomstick,
And swept the cobwebbed sky,
And the boy who sat in the corner,
Eating his Christmas pie.

These were some of the old favorites, but they have been supplanted by the "Pansy" and "Chatterbox" stories, "Little Lord Fauntleroy," and "Five Little Peppers." The Old fashioned pill and physics have been suspended, and wisely, too, by Pierce's Purgative Pellets, a mild, harmless and effective cathartic. They are pleasant to take—so gentle in their action that the most delicate child can take them, yet so effective that they will cure the most obstinate cases of constipation, stomach, liver and bowel troubles. They should be in every nersery. As a gentle laxative, only one for a dose.

WYLIE ITEMS.

[Rustler.]

Farmers are busy as bees.

Corn planting is about done.

Fishing is the order of the day.

Garden truck will soon be ready.

Joe Daniel was in Dallas Tuesday.

John Burnes, of Dallas, was in the city last Tuesday.

T. E. Ball, the insurance man, was in the city last Tuesday.

W. M. Rucker was in Plano last Friday.

Col. J. E. Enwright was in Dallas last week.

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In Clothing, Shoes, and Dry Goods.

S. WISEMAN.

Some Special Bargains This Week.

Be Sure and Call on

S. WISEMAN.

New Block, Northeast Corner Square.

William Cooper was in Plano last Monday.

J. W. Cook went to Dallas last Tuesday.

W. H. Hooks went to Plano last Monday.

Let us give thanks. Gentle Annie has arrived.

Miss Minnie Callaway, of Plano was visiting in the city last Saturday.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Andy Jones, on the 14th, a fine boy. Mother and child doing well.

Rev. J. Bishop preached two elegant sermons at the Baptist church, last Sunday, to crowded houses.

A few farmers are planting their corn over, having failed to get a good stand.

W. H. Hicks, who is now teaching at Parker, this county, was in the city last Sunday.

Several couples attended a school exhibition in the country last Friday night.

Wylie has two first-class mills and gins, and they were both putting in good time last Saturday.

Miss Mattie Butler, of Plano, visited her brother, Bailey Butler last Friday, returned Monday.

Mrs. W. B. Cannon, accompanied by her sister, Annie McDonald went to Dallas last Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Tom P. Williams in retiring from the office of mayor of this city leaves a clear record, and has made the city a good mayor. The newly elected mayor has our best wishes.

The city council met last Saturday night, and the new officers were "sworn in." The old officers retiring leave a clear record, and we cheerfully greet the new ones.

Bob Irby came over from Dallas last Sunday to see his best girl. Bob is a clever young man, and we are always glad to see him.

Annie McDonald, of Alvarado, sister of Mrs. W. B. Cannon, is in the city visiting. She will remain several days.

The Cotton Belt road is in a better condition this spring than ever before known in the history of the road.

Joe Rucker was in the busy whirl of Dallas last Tuesday.

Farmersville Items.

[Times.]

J. P. Bledsoe has moved his family to Greenville.

Emma Turner and Ivy Marsh are visiting in Whitewright.

Mrs. Charles York left Monday for a visit to her grandmother at Mineola.

Mrs. W. N. Collier was the guest of Mrs. Dr. King, the first of the week.

Mrs. Elijah Glass visited her daughter Mrs. Farish, at Oak Cliff this week.

Capt, T. F. Mangum, a prominent attorney at McKinney, was in the city this week on legal business.

Rev. W. P. Cloyd, of McKinney, has accepted a call to act as pastor for the C. P. church of this place.

Mexican Mustang Liniment.

A Cure for the Ailments of Man and Beast.

A long-tested pain reliever.

Its use is almost universal by the Housewife, the Farmer, the Stock Raiser, and by every one requiring an effective liniment.

No other application compares with it in efficacy.

This well-known remedy has stood the test of years, almost generations.

No medicine chest is complete without a bottle of MUSTANG LINIMENT.

Occasions arise for its use almost every day.

All druggists and dealers have it.

Several of the young people, including Prof. Waneck's orchestra, attended a party at the residence of Mont King last Monday night and had a pleasant time.

Rev. J. E. Huddleston, is visiting the family of J. T. De Shields.

Our people have been considerably stirred up this week over the reports about the spotted fever and several families have stopped their children from school on account of it. As there has been no cases nearer than Copeville, we hope their fears will prove groundless.

Plano Items.

[Enquirer,]

R. W. Ingram is sick.

J, T. Lewis went to Dallas Tuesday.

G. W. Bowman was in Dallas Monday.

Mrs. Andrew of Renner is visiting in the city.

I. H. Connelley went to Dallas Tuesday.

J. A. Moreman was in Dallas Tuesday.

J. T. Kendrick was in McKinney Monday.

A singing was had at A. Bedell's Saturday night.

Ed Dunlap of Richardson was in the city Monday.

John Loveless of Richardson was in the city Monday.

Rev. L. A. Dunlap preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

R. B. Rice and family visited Lebanon several days this week.

Ida Turner has been visiting friends in McKinney the past week.

Birdie Foreman of McKinney is visiting in the city.

W. D. McFarlin went to Dallas Monday on business.

W. D. Anderson of Lancaster is visiting W. S. Cummings this week.

J. D. Cottrell and wife were in Dallas Tuesday.

The report which has been circulated in these parts, that J. H. Burns and Mrs. Mollie Simmons of Wylie had eloped and married is untrue. Nothing of the sort has occurred.—G. W. Platt.

A runaway which came near proving serious occurred on our streets Saturday. Mrs. Brent and her three small children being in the wagon, when the mules took fright, but fortunately a gentleman saw them in time to check their flight and thus undoubtedly averted a serious accident.

Sallie Key left Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Luke Reeser who lives nine miles east of McKinney.

P. B. Hale of near McKinney was in Plano not long since. He has purchased a home and is very much elated with the idea of living at home again.

This section had a very fine, rain Sunday night which was very much needed. Gardens wheat and oats are taking on new life and rejoice in the delightful moisture.

The District Conference for the Dallas Presiding Elders District, North Texas Conferanfie, will convene in Plano on the 21st of May. Bishop Haygood, the great Georgian, will be in attendance, and preside over its session. A great meeting is expected.

Mr. Smith of the firm of Settritt and Smith of Dallas, architects, is in the city. They are contractor's for building the new C. C. bank.

All cases of weak or lame back, backache, rheumatism, will find relief by wearing one of Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters. Price 25 cents. Try them.

Many persons were disappointed, owing to the rainy weather, in not geting to hear Rev. Weaver at the C. P. church last Sunday night.

If you feel weak and all worn out take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

All the ... may

HOW TO RIDE A HORSE.

WHAT MUST BE DONE TO HAVE A CORRECT SEAT AND SADDLE.

Reasons Why Many People Who Ride Have So Much Trouble with Their Stirrups—A Riding Master Gives Some Excellent Rules and Suggestions.

A saddle is constructed right if it gives the rider the greatest possible comfort and the most secure seat, with almost total absence of exertion of muscles of his legs in order to maintain his balance. Almost every riding master prefers a certain make of saddle, and teaches a certain style of seat as the best, and his pupils, taking perhaps little or no trouble to study others and to investigate further, have to accept his. But, irrespective of the science of riding, there is one shape of saddle which is the most comfortable, viz., the saddle which is so constructed that, in accordance with the laws of gravity, the rider's body will and must sit in balance without trying to do so.

Much has been said and written about "how you should sit on the horse." Perhaps you have been told to grasp the saddle or the horse firmly with thighs or knees, to have your toes higher than your heels, to keep the heels away from the horse, to bend your back to be springy or to straighten yourself to sit firmly, etc. Perhaps your teacher has made great efforts and exhausted all resources of his knowledge to impress upon you how you should sit, and yet at a trot you lose the stirrups, you lose your balance, and unless trotting very slowly, and unless your horse has an easy trot, you have to bring him to a walk to regain the stirrups.

If you are not experienced, and your horse trots roughly, you are in discomfort and in danger of losing your seat. If your horse is nervous and not well broken to the touch of the heel the flapping of the stirrups against his flanks renders him uneasy and prolongs the task of "getting your foot in the stirrup."

WHERE THE TROUBLE LIES.

Examine your saddle; it seems nice, soft and comfortable; the stirrups as heavy as should be—even their tread covered with leather or rubber to prevent slipping from your foot; but slip they will. Why? Look at the shape of your saddle, at the positions which the saddler has assigned for your seat, thighs, knees and feet, and see where he has attached the bars for the stirrup leathers on the saddle tree. Your saddle is perhaps too long and, as most English style saddles, flat; its lowest point, instead as near as possible to the center, is back toward the end; you are almost sitting on the cantle. In order to bring your knees to the knee puffs, which are too far front, you have to stretch your legs forward. This obliges you to carry your stirrips forward with your feet away from and in front of the place where they would hang by their own weight, and in order to keep them at your feet you have to shorten the stirrup leathers and bear heavily on the stirrups, otherwise they will slip back.

What is the result? As soon as your foot loses the stirrup the latter, according to the law of gravity, returns to the lowest position which the length of stirrup leather allows far behind your foot; then your foot, too, having lost its support, and with nothing to bear against, together with your leg, according to the law of gravity, tries to slip back in order to hang as near as possible to the center of gravity; and then your legs will hang far back; the knee puffs, perhaps on the bare horse almost behind the saddle skirts.

To avoid this by muscular exertion you try to force your legs up and front into a position very tiresome to maintain. But if you, according to the law of gravity, have the lowest point of the saddle in its center; if you have this center as close as possible to the horse's back by reducing the thickness of the saddle to a minimum; if you drop yourself into this lowest point of the saddle to stay there; if you drop your legs to where they will stay by their own weight instead of holding them forward and raising them by muscular exertion; if you have the stirrup leather bars attached far enough back to be in a line with that place where your feet meet the stirrups, with stirrup leathers so long as to raise your toes high enough to give you an elastic tread on the stirrup without cramping the muscles of your thighs and knees, then your body, legs, feet and stirrups will maintain their positions by their own weights according to the law of gravity; after each displacement resulting from the movement of the horse your body will fall back into the lowest part of the saddle; your thighs, knees and feet will not become tired because you are not using muscular exertion to hold them in their places.

By the law of gravity they always fall back into them. Your stirrups and feet, even if disengaged from each other, will, as it were, meet unintentionally at their places. If turning your toes slightly toward the horse the stirrup will by its own weight try to find its place and slip on your foot. The displacements from their positions of your body, thighs, knees, feet and stirrups will be followed by their involuntary movements according to the law of gravity to fall back into the places which their weights assign to them.

Have your saddle built so that no muscular exertion be required to keep you in its lowest (centre) part; that your legs, thighs, knees, feet and stirrups retain their positions by their own weight, and you will enjoy that comfort which you can never find in a flat saddle with the lowest point back at the cantle, with the knee puffs too far front, with the saddle pad raising you several inches above the horse and with leather and straining, etc., built up high between your legs. Have the tree often longitudinally in the center from the front to the middle, allowing circulation of air between you and the horse and you will have more ease to yourself and less sore backs for your horses.—C. Broesmann in Philadelphia Times.

Tyler, Texas, April 11.—Our city has been disturbed for some time over the report that a very large Mexican lion was in the vicinity of the town and making almost nightly visits in the eastern suburbs, inhabited mostly by negroes, and killing and eating their dogs, but the report was generally disbelieved until last night, when it got bolder than usual and came further into the city and was seen by several persons whose stories cannot be doubted. A party is being organized to hunt the lion down and kill or run the same out of the country. A gentleman from the country this morning reports to have seen the lion night before last, and says that it is very fierce and ran all his dogs off of his farm.

A MOCKING BIRD'S LESSON.

In a Few Minutes It Learned Some New Sounds But Forgot It's Clever Songs.

"There he goes again!" groaned Mr. George Phalen, a wealthy resident of Highbridge. "Was ever man cursed with such a bird?"

"Bird!" exclaimed Mr. Phalen's visitor in astonishment. "Why, you don't mean to say you keep a bird with all those cats in the house?" For the sudden chorus of hissing, spitting and mewing that floated in from the rear room seemed to indicate that an animated feline argument was in progress there.

"There is no cat under my roof," was the reply. "All the noise you hear is made by a single mocking bird. Just step into the other room and look at him. A more woebegone creature you never saw."

The bird, indeed, looked as though he had seen hard and long service. He had no vestige of a tail left, and one of his eyes was gone. His few feathers were ruffled, and all his sleek and glorious beauty had departed.

"Three years ago old Nick (that is his name) was a remarkably handsome bird," said Mr. Phalen, "and his numerous accomplishments made him a great favorite and very valuable. He could whistle 'The Campbells Are Coming' and a dozen other airs with wonderful clearness and musical precision, and he was so clever that he could learn a new tune in an hour. I would not have sold him then for $500.

"But one night everybody in the house was awakened by an awful uproar in the back parlor. The mocking bird was shrieking, shouting and swearing like a human being; a cat, that must have entered by the cellar door, for we harbored none of his kind, was spitting and hissing furiously, and the sound of some heavy metallic object dashed frequently and violently against the furniture was distracting. I went down stairs with a light, and I found that the cat's paw was tightly wedged between the wires of the bird's prison, and the terrified brute was swinging the cage about the room, trying to release himself. Old Nick was nearly dead and badly dilapidated, as you see him now, before I could disentangle the cat from the wires and kick him out into the darkness.

"The bird's tail never grew again, nor did his plumage regain its luster. He was quite silent for a full week, and then he suddenly made the air vocal with a horrible series of caterwaulings, and he has kept them up almost without intermission ever since. In the few dreadful minutes that he passed face to face with the cat he learned every intonation of voice that his assailant could teach him, and utterly forgot all the songs and speeches with which years of careful tuition had enriched his mind. A poor exchange, it seems to me."—New York Sun.

Married Lovers.

The affectionate man, who sits with his arm on the back of the seat when he rides in the cars with his wife, is always open to the suspicion that somewhere in the recesses of his self esteem he considers himself a sadly henpecked individual, and is excessively attentive to his better half in public places for the simple purpose of side tracking any intimation of such a state of affairs that might be apparent if he didn't do his half of the acting.

But the exquisite way a friend of mine directed his pretty wife where to go the other day as they parted at a crowded street corner contained no such intimation, inasmuch as he put in the word "dear" wherever he could catch his breath, and concluded with, "Don't forget, dear, to take a car at Park square, dear, and remember that the number is three hundred, dear, and thirty-seven."—Boston Globe.

Sudden.

Presence of mind is not always monopolized by the brave and wise, nor is it uniformly cultivated for great and good purposes.

Several of the pupils in a certain "backwoods" district determined not to study geography. The teacher believed that they were old enough to begin the subject, and accordingly called one of the oldest boys to her desk and spoke to him about the necessity of a knowledge of his own and other countries.

"I sha'n't study g'ography till I git ready!" growled the youngster.

The teacher rose quickly and seized him by the collar, intending to shake him, when the young rascal hastily added, "But I am ready now."—Youth's Companion.

This Can Be Done on Nearly Every Farm.

Given a flow of 100 gallons of water per minute and plenty of liver and scraps thrown in, and you can raise 1,000 pounds of trouts in a pond 10 feet deep, 10 feet long and ten feet broad, replacing them with small ones as rapidly as they reach marketable size. It can be done very profitably too. The time is looked forward to, and it is not far away, when every farmer will look upon an acre of water as he does upon an acre of land, expecting so much yearly yield from it, whether it is pond, lake, river or estuary.—Washington Star.

A Dreadful Threat.

A poet having loaned a small amount to a friend found it very difficult to collect the same, as his friend failed to recollect the incident. Meeting his friend in need the poet said:

"If you don't pay me that $17 which you owe me I shall have to resort to extreme measures."

"And what may they be?"

"I'll dedicate my next poem in your honor."

The friend turned pale and shelled out abruptly.—Texas Siftings.

A Large Difference.

"What was your lawyer's fee in that case, Dimling?"

"It wasn't a fee, Totling; it was an honorarium."

"What's the difference?"

"Well, an honorarium is about ten times as much as a fee."—Harper's Bazar.

THE RODEO.

Down, down the dark canyons we ride in a flurry,
The cedars sweep by in their mystical hurry,
Gone into the wind are the lang'or and worry—
Gone into the west with the phantom moon.
Ha! there is the lord of the hills and the valleys;
Is'is he that leads in the midsummer sallies
High into the steeps where the gray chaparral is?
It's he that leads to the long legerne—
Where the wild mustard splashes the slope with yellow.
He has turned at bay. Oh, the powerful fellow!
See the toss of his head! hear the breath and the bellow!
How he tears the ground with his [illegible] hoofs!
Now he breaks a wild path thro' the deep pine grasses;
(A loud blow [illegible] on a tamarack branches;
[illegible] of crimson in [illegible]
On [illegible]
[illegible]
The cactus we shoot down the poppy tang hedges;
See! out of the cliff we have startled the swallow
And startled the echoes on rocky falls.
Ho! what were it passes? were they pigeons or sparrows
That whispered away like a hurtle of arrows?
The rose odor thickens, the deep gorge narrows,
Now the herd swings down thro' the scented dells.
Speed! speed! leave the brooks to their pebbles and prattle;
Sweep on with the thunder and surge of the cattle—
The hurry, the shouting, the wild joy of battle,
The hills, and the wind, and the open light.
Now on into camp by the sycamores yonder,
Now o'er the guitar let the light fingers wander;
Let those eyes in the high heart grow pensive and fonder;
Then—stars—and the dreams of a summer night.
—Charles E. Markham in Overland Monthly.

Has Been to Mecca.

I fancy that it is not generally known that there is in this town a man who has twice made the perilous journey to Mecca. Hadji Brown he is called in the east, the "Hadji" meaning pilgrim. Mr. Brown is an Irishman by birth and a traveler and journalist by profession. He has traveled much in Persia, Afghanistan and other oriental countries. He speaks Arabic like a native, and in Turkish costume he easily passes for a Turk. It was in this character, of course, that he visited Mecca, for without some such disguise he would have been murdered long before reaching the sacred city. Sir Richard Burton, whose single visit to Mecca made him famous, would have been slain by a fanatic on the journey but for the fortunate fact that Sir Richard was a bit quicker with his weapons than was the would be assassin.

Brown is taken for a Mussulman in the east, and he says his prayers in admirable oriental fashion. As a matter of fact, it is not a very difficult feat to pass as a Turk, even among Mussulmen, for Turks are of all complexions, and even a blue eyed man who spoke the language and wore the proper costume would not be challenged unless he aroused suspicion by some un-Moslem act. Sir Richard Burton's moment of danger came from a very simple neglect to observe a custom of the people with whom he journeyed.—New York Star.

Bear Shooting in Thibet.

As I [illegible] saw a large bear standing [illegible] on the carcass of a yak. Taking a gun from one of my men I fired at it, breaking its shoulder. When my men saw what I had shot at they turned and beat a hasty retreat, shouting to me to run, that the beast [illegible] devour me. Another shot, better aimed, put an end to [illegible] but not to the fright of my men. [illegible] would not approach [illegible] by the prize [illegible] servants [illegible] it be [illegible] ence to secure [illegible] a bruin would [illegible] dicine [illegible] and [illegible] cigar [illegible] ten ounces of silver to any drug shop. Mongols and Tibetans attack a bear only when they are a strong, well armed party. My having killed one of these dreaded monsters alone seemed a feat of great daring, and the story was told to every Thibetan we met afterward as proof positive of my dauntless courage.—W. Woodville Rockhill in Century.

Character from the Fingers.

As far as the fingers are concerned, experts in palmistry divide hands into three classes. Long, slender, tapering fingers determine the first, and denote delicate, trained perceptions. A subject with such fingers has an innate fondness for art, poetry, music and the higher forms of literature. In the second class, the fingers are shorter, are nearly equal in length, and have blunt ends. They denote a practical, material mind, thorough and reliable, rather than brilliant. A woman with such fingers would make a careful and efficient housekeeper, and a man with similar ones would be cautious and thorough in business. In the third class, the fingers are short, thick and square, and have short, large nails, with cushions on each side of the nails. A subject having these fingers is active, athletic, opinionated, selfish, has strong appetites for the material things of life, and is liable to form strong prejudices.—D. D. Bidwell in New York Ledger.

A Rude Fellow.

Pretty Girl—Did you see the way that man looked at me? It was positively insulting.

Big Brother—Did he stare?

Pretty Girl—Stare? Why, no. He ran his eyes over me and then glanced off at some one else, just as if I wasn't worth a second thought.—New York Weekly.

In the industries now established in the United States, in which beautiful objects are made—such as wall hangings, furniture, silverware, tablecloths, glassware, articles of brass and wrought iron, stone carvings and the like—very excellent wages are often paid to skilled workmen.

G. Tateno, the Japanese minister to the United States, has been in official life for fifteen years. In 1878 he was one of the commissioners appointed by Japan to receive Gen. Grant. He was appointed to his present office in March, 1890.

WAY OF THE WORLD.

Aloft on the bough the fair fruit hung,
Caressed by the wind and kissed by the sun,
And standing below as it swung out of reach
One longed for a taste of so luscious a peach.

One just as perfect was lying below
Where the fickle wind tossed it h[illegible] ago;
Its form as dainty, its form as roun[illegible],
But nobody cared—for it lay on the ground.

It is even the fruit that is just beyond reach,
Be it fame or honor, or love or a peach,
That man longs for the most—why we never will know,
Yet he scorns to pick where the fruit grows low.
—Ada E. Field in New York Herald.

An Englishman Couldn't See It.

Little Marshall P. Wilder, the famous merry-maker, is perennial, and has a humorous skit for every hour of the day. This is one of his latest, illustrative of an Englishman's appreciation of humor:

I have seen in England, and I have studied English humor. Its fundamental principles are not related to the American article that raises a cyclone of laughter. An Englishman was dining at a swell hotel out west, and after he finished his regular dinner he asked for sweets. A waiter from the Bowery had gone west for employment, and was waiting on the particular table at which the Englishman sat.

"And phwat is sweets, sur?" asked the waiter.

The Englishman finally explained that he meant dessert, pudding, etc.

"We 'ave apple and mince pie," said the Bowery man.

"Give me mince pie."

"What's der matter wid der apple pie?" asked the waiter in a hard, I-don't-care-a-continental tone of voice. Many heard the remark and laughed. An hour later I happened to meet the Englishman, and he asked me if I heard the waiter ask him what was the matter with the apple pie. I said 'Yes.' Then the Englishman naively asked me:

"Well, what was the matter with the apple pie?"—New York World.

That Lovely Narcissus.

Narcissus was a mythological young person who had so much beauty that it was in the way. He was interrupted during office hours by people who wanted to admire him, and a case went on record of a woman's thinking so much of him that she would always keep still until he got clear through talking. At last he got a good look at himself in a mirror, and he said he couldn't blame them. He felt that he was a menace to society, and history says that he drowned himself. But he didn't.

He went and got a pair of voluminous trousers, decorated his eye with a large piece of glass, took the fit out of the back of his coat, shoved his chin out of place with his collar, and went about his business satisfied that he had restored their peaces of mind to the feminine members of his acquaintance. But it was in vain. And he is obliged to devote large portions of his time—in fact, nearly all of it—to the search for improvements that will make his garments effective for their true purpose. In the meantime he is obliged to go on bothersomely beloved.—Washington Post.

Clothing of the Esquimaux.

Clothing for men consists of knee breeches, belted at the loins, a loose-fitting cloak trimmed around the bottom, and the hood with wolf or wolverine, or a blending of both, a pair of stockings and a short legged pair of boots with sealskin soles. In winter two suits are worn, the inner suit with the hair next the body and the outer with the hair turned out.

The difference between the dress of men and women is that the latter have their boots, stockings and pantaloons all in one garment. The cloaks of all females have at the back for the neck a fullness for carrying infants.

These cloaks come down below the knees and are gored out at the sides up to the hips, making the front look like an apron.—Exchange.

Many Roman and Greek epicures were very fond of dog's flesh. Before Christianity was established among the Danes, on every ninth year ninety-nine dogs were sacrificed. In Sweden each ninth day ninety-nine dogs were destroyed. But later on dogs were not thought good enough, and every ninth year ninety-nine human beings were immolated, the sons of the reigning tyrant among the rest, in order that the life of the monarch might be prolonged.

It has been concluded that whatever preservative is to be applied, the timber for piles subjected to the action of sea-worms should first be charred, so as to kill any germs near the surface, open the pores of the wood for the antiseptic, and destroy the nutritive matter upon which the worm lives while beginning its action.

A Scotch writer gives a list of instances which tend to prove that his countrymen are willing to suffer great extremity for learning. He mentions one young man who, though of fine manners and aristocratic appearance, dined but three times a week, and then upon a hot twopenny pie.

Lord Eldon introduced a bill into the British parliament for restraining the liberty of the press, and one of the honorable members moved as an amendment that all anonymous works should have the name of the author printed on the title page.

Edward Everett Hale, the Boston preacher, is 79 years old, but few men are busier. He preaches, edits a magazine and a weekly newspaper, leads missions, dips into politics and is also the president of innumerable societies.

Two miles of silk have been drawn from the body of a single spider, and yet it is calculated that twenty-seven large spiders would be required to produce a pound weight of the material.

Promiscuous hand-shaking in America has repeatedly served as a target for European cynicism. Yet the handshake, after all, is the sincerest manifestation of [illegible] good will.

BACK FROM TOWN.

Old friends allus is the best,
Halest like and heartiest;
Knowed us first, and don't allow
We're so blame much better now!
They was standin' at the bars
When we grabbed "the kivvered kyars"
And lit out fer town, to make
Money—and that old mistake!

We thought then the world we went
Into beat "The Settlement,"
And the friends 'at we'd make there
Would beat any anywhere!
And they do—fer that's there biz;
They beat all the friends they is—
'Cept the raal old friends like you
'At staid home, like I'd ort to!

W'y, of all the good things yit
I ain't shet of, is to quit
Business, and git back to sheer
Those old comf'rts o' [illegible] here—
Those old friends, and these old hands
'At we [illegible] understands!
[illegible]
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[illegible]
It's "Hard Times" [illegible]
[illegible] all [illegible]
Wants that girl old Biddie down
From the chimbley! Git the floor
Cleared fer one cowtillion more!—
It's poke the kitchen fire, says he,
And shake a friendly leg with me!
—James Whitcomb Riley in Century.

Bank Cars.

New Zealand has set an example which might advantageously be followed in certain parts of this country. In the same way as we have "cathedral cars" it has "traveling banks." A clerk representing the bank travels up and down a railway line for the transaction of the ordinary business of the bank with those who have not sufficient facilities for coming into the city. Laden with a sachel containing his supply of cash, and provided with a teller's usual precautions against robbery, the clerk makes the carriage his headquarters, and there receives visits from customers at the way stations, changing checks or taking deposits as occasion may require. This plan is said to prove profitable to the bank and a great convenience to the settlers, who are saved all the trouble of journeying to town to relieve themselves of surplus money or to procure change. It is not difficult, however, to see that the New Zealanders are not properly educated in the matter of train robbery.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Mr. Bradlaugh's Windfall.

An interesting incident in the life of the late Mr. Bradlaugh, M. P., has escaped notice in the many biographical sketches. At a time when Mr. Bradlaugh was most in need of money he narrowly escaped coming in for a windfall of over £20,000. A Barnstaple gentleman named Tuberville—a brother of Mr. R. D. Blackmore, the famous author of "Lorna Doone"—had such an admiration for the junior member for Northampton that, after a very short acquaintance, he executed a will in his favor.

Mr. Tuberville died shortly afterward at Yeovil under circumstances which necessitated an inquest, and it then transpired that another will in favor of a young lady had been made. The latter will was disputed, and, eventually, as the result of a compromise, Mr. Bradlaugh obtained £2,000.—London Tit-Bits.

He Was Not to Blame.

One day on a railroad car a lady allowed her little boy, who could barely speak distinctly, to play about the car, and bye and bye, to the horror of all of us, she discovered him complacently sitting outside on the steps. She brought him in, and although the punishment inflicted was mild his little heart seemed to be completely broken. When, presently, the train stopped at a station great choking sobs could be heard distinctly all over the car, and suddenly we were all convulsed by a grieving, reproachful and utterly desolate little voice exclaiming, "Say, mamma, when a—naughty old—trainman leaves—a door wide open, how can—a baby help going out?"—West Shore.

Trumped His Partner's Ace.

At a social gathering a few evenings ago, the conversation turning upon luck, a gentleman remarked: "All this talk about thirteen being an unlucky number is sheer nonsense. What, for instance, is luckier than holding thirteen trumps at whist?"

"Humph!" replied another gentleman, "I held a thirteen trump hand once and didn't make more than one trick with it!"

"How could that be?"

"Well, you see, my partner was somewhat hot tempered, and when I trumped his ace he jumped up and threw me out of the room."—Boston Globe.

Early Icehouses.

In America icehouses have been known for at least 200 years. They were at first very primitive affairs, being nothing more than deep cellars, the flooring made of boards or stone, upon which was placed a layer of straw or sawdust. The sides were lined with boards set about a foot from the wall, and this space was filled in with sawdust, tanbark or straw. A rough, thatched roof completed the structure, which was then filled with ice, between the layers of which tanbark or sawdust was strewed.—Detroit Free Press.

Not in the Second Hand Business.

As Sheridan was entering court one day carrying his books and briefs in a green bag, according to the custom of the time, some of his brother barristers, thinking to play a joke on him, urged some boys to ask him if he had old clothes for sale in his green bag. "Oh, no!" instantly replied Sheridan, "they are all new suits."—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Scotch student had a curious method of studying. He spread out his books where the hearth rug would naturally have been, and lay there at full length, learning his task by the light of a fire made from roots of decayed trees which he had dug in a wood near Edinburgh and carried to his lodgings.

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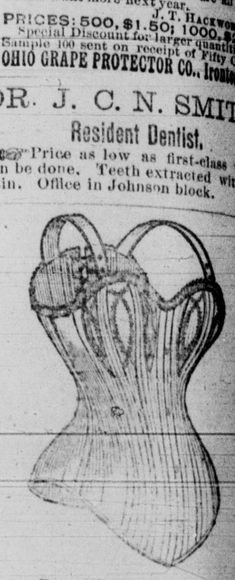

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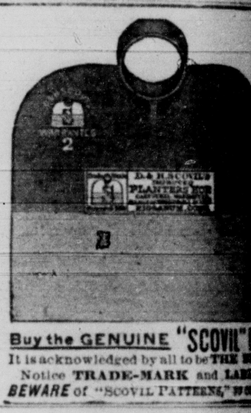

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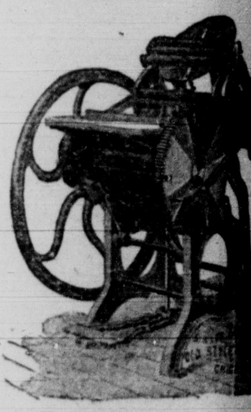

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If you are not experienced, and your horse trots roughly, you are in discomfort and in danger of losing your seat. If your horse is nervous and not well broken to the touch of the heel the flapping of the stirrups against his flanks renders him uneasy and prolongs the task of "getting your foot in the stirrup."

WHERE THE TROUBLE LIES.

Examine your saddle; it seems nice, soft and comfortable; the stirrups as heavy as should be—even their tread covered with leather or rubber to prevent slipping from your foot; but slip they will. Why? Look at the shape of your saddle, at the positions which the saddler has assigned for your seat, thighs, knees and feet, and see where he has attached the bars for the stirrup leathers on the saddle tree. Your saddle is perhaps too long and, as most English style saddles, flat; its lowest point, instead as near as possible to the center, is back toward the end; you are almost sitting on the cantle. In order to bring your knees to the knee puffs, which are too far front, you have to stretch your legs forward. This obliges you to carry your stirrips forward with your feet away from and in front of the place where they would hang by their own weight, and in order to keep them at your feet you have to shorten the stirrup leathers and bear heavily on the stirrups, otherwise they will slip back.

What is the result? As soon as your foot loses the stirrup the latter, according to the law of gravity, returns to the lowest position which the length of stirrup leather allows far behind your foot; then your foot, too, having lost its support, and with nothing to bear against, together with your leg, according to the law of gravity, tries to slip back in order to hang as near as possible to the center of gravity; and then your legs will hang far back, the knee puffs, perhaps on the bare horse almost behind the saddle skirts.

To avoid this by muscular exertion you try to force your legs up and front into a position very tiresome to maintain. But if you, according to the law of gravity, have the lowest point of the saddle in its center; if you have this center as close as possible to the horse's back by reducing the thickness of the saddle to a minimum; if you drop yourself into this lowest point of the saddle to stay there; if you drop your legs to where they will stay by their own weight instead of holding them forward and raising them by muscular exertion; if you have the stirrup leather bars attached far enough back to be in a line with that place where your feet meet the stirrups, with stirrup leathers so long as to raise your toes high enough to give you an elastic tread on the stirrup without cramping the muscles of your thighs and knees, then your body, legs, feet and stirrups will maintain their positions by their own weights according to the law of gravity; after each displacement resulting from the movement of the horse your body will fall back into the lowest part of the saddle; your thighs, knees and feet will not become tired because you are not using muscular exertion to hold them in their places.

By the law of gravity they always fall back into them. Your stirrups and feet, even if disengaged from each other, will, as it were, meet unintentionally at their places. If turning your toes slightly toward the horse the stirrup will by its own weight try to find its place and slip on your foot. The displacements from their positions of your body, thighs, knees, feet and stirrups will be followed by their involuntary movements according to the law of gravity to fall back into the places which their weights assign to them.

Have your saddle built so that no muscular exertion be required to keep you in its lowest (centre) part; that your legs, thighs, knees, feet and stirrups retain their positions by their own weight, and you will enjoy that comfort which you can never find in a flat saddle with the lowest point back at the cantle, with the knee puffs too far front, with the saddle pad raising you several inches above the horse and with leather and straining, etc., built up high between your legs. Have the tree often longitudinally in the center from the front to the middle, allowing circulation of air between you and the horse and you will have more ease to yourself and less extra backs for your horses.—C. Broesmann in Philadelphia Times.

Tyler, Texas, April 11.—Our city has been disturbed for some time over the report that a very large Mexican lion was in the vicinity of the town and making almost nightly visits in the eastern suburbs, inhabited mostly by negroes, and killing and eating their dogs, but the report was generally disbelieved until last night, when it got bolder than usual and came further into the city and was seen by several persons whose stories cannot be doubted. A party is being organized to hunt the lion down and kill or run the same out of the country. A gentleman from the country this morning reports to have seen the lion night before last, and says that it is very fierce and ran all his dogs off of his farm.

A MOCKING BIRD'S LESSON.

In a Few Minutes It Learned Some New Sounds But Forgot It's Clever Songs.

"There he goes again!" groaned Mr. George Phalen, a wealthy resident of Highbridge, "Was ever man cursed with such a bird!"

"Bird!" exclaimed Mr. Phalen's visitor in astonishment. "Why, you don't mean to say you keep a bird with all those cats in the house?" For the sudden chorus of hissing, spitting and mewing that floated in from the rear room seemed to indicate that an animated feline argument was in progress there.

"There is no cat under my roof," was the reply. "All the noise you hear is made by a single mocking bird. Just step into the other room and look at him. A more woebegone creature you never saw."

The bird, indeed, looked as though it had seen hard and long service. It had no vestige of a tail left, and one of its eyes was gone. His few feathers were ruffled, and all his sleek and glorious beauty had departed.

"Three years ago old Nick (that is his name) was a remarkably handsome bird," said Mr. Phalen, "and his numerous accomplishments made him a great favorite and very valuable. He could whistle 'The Campbells Are Coming' and a dozen other airs with wonderful clearness and musical precision, and he was so clever that he could learn a new tune in an hour. I would not have sold him then for $500.

"But one night everybody in the house was awakened by an awful uproar in the back parlor. The mocking bird was shrieking, shouting and swearing like a human being; a cat, that must have entered by the cellar door, for we harbored none of his kind, was spitting and hissing furiously, and the sound of some heavy metallic object dashed frequently and violently against the furniture was distracting. I went down stairs with a light, and I found that the cat's paw was tightly wedged between the wires of the bird's prison, and the terrified brute was swinging the cage about the room, trying to release himself. Old Nick was nearly dead and badly dilapidated, as you see him now, before I could disentangle the cat from the wires and kick him out into the darkness.

"The bird's tail never grew again, nor did his plumage regain its luster. He was quite silent for a full week, and then he suddenly made the air vocal with a horrible series of caterwaulings, and he has kept them up almost without intermission ever since. In the few dreadful minutes that he passed face to face with the cat he learned every intonation of voice that his assailant could teach him, and utterly forgot all the songs and speeches with which years of careful tuition had enriched his mind. A poor exchange, it seems to me."—New York Sun.

Married Lovers.

The affectionate man, who sits with his arm on the back of the seat when he rides in the cars with his wife, is always open to the suspicion that somewhere in the recesses of his self esteem he considers himself a sadly henpecked individual, and is excessively attentive to his better half in public places for the simple purpose of side tracking any intimation of such a state of affairs that might be apparent if he didn't do his half of the acting.

But the exquisite way a friend of mine directed his pretty wife where to go the other day as they parted at a crowded street corner contained no such intimation, inasmuch as he put in the word "dear" wherever he could catch his breath, and concluded with, "Don't forget, dear, to take a car at Park square, dear, and remember that the number is three hundred, dear, and thirty-seven."—Boston Globe.

Sudden.

Presence of mind is not always monopolized by the brave and wise, nor is it uniformly cultivated for great and good purposes.

Several of the pupils in a certain "backwoods" district determined not to study geography. The teacher believed that they were old enough to begin the subject, and accordingly called one of the oldest boys to her desk and spoke to him about the necessity of a knowledge of his own and other countries.

"I sha'n't study g'ography till I git ready!" growled the youngster.

The teacher rose quickly and seized him by the collar, intending to shake him, when the young rascal hastily added, "But I am ready now!"—Youth's Companion.

This Can Be Done on Nearly Every Farm.

Given a flow of 100 gallons of water per minute and plenty of liver and scraps thrown in, and you can raise 1,000 pounds of trout in a pond 10 feet deep, 10 feet long and ten feet broad, replacing them with small ones as rapidly as they reach marketable size. It can be done very profitably too. The time is looked forward to, and it is not far away, when every farmer will look upon an acre of water as he does upon an acre of land, expecting so much yearly yield from it, whether it is pond, lake, river or estuary.—Washington Star.

A Dreadful Threat.

A poet having loaned a small amount to a friend found it very difficult to collect the same, as his friend failed to recollect the incident. Meeting his friend in need the poet said:

"If you don't pay me that $17 which you owe me I shall have to resort to extreme measures."

"And what may they be?"

"I'll dedicate my next poem in your honor."

The friend turned pale and shelled out abruptly.—Texas Siftings.

A Large Difference.

"What was your lawyer's fee in that case, Dimling?"

"It wasn't a fee, Totling; it was an honorarium."

"What's the difference?"

"Well, an honorarium is about ten times as much as a fee."—Harper's Bazar.

THE RODEO.

Down, down the dark canyons we ride in a flurry,
The cedars sweep by in their mystical hurry,
Gone into the wind are the lamp or sad worry—
Gone into the west with the phantom moon.
Ha! there is the lord of the hills and the valleys;
Into the tall grass he leaps with his allies;
Hails he that leads in the midsummer sallies
High into the steeps where the gray chaparral is;
It's he that leads to the long largesse—
Where the wild mustard splashes the slope with yellow—
He has turned at bay. Oh, the powerful fellow!
See the toss of his head! hear the breath and the bellow!
How he tears the ground with his angry hoofs!
Now he breaks a wild path thro' the deep pine recesses;
(A bold spirit he is, on a tamarack heights;
Like a [illegible] in his tameless lightness)
Oh, the [illegible] in our faces we [illegible]
The cattle we shout down the [illegible] hill.
See! out of the cote we have startled the [illegible]
And started the echoes on rocky fells.
Ho! what [illegible] passed? were they pigeons or sparrows?
That whispered away like a hurtle of arrows?
The rose odor thickens, the deep gorge narrows,
Now the herd swings down thro' the scented dells.
Speed! speed! leave the brooks to their pebbles and prattle;
Sweep on with the thunder and surge of the cattle—
The hurry, the [illegible], the wild joy of battle,
The hills, and the wind, and the open light.
Now on into camp by the sycamores yonder,
Now o'er the guitar let the light fingers wander;
Let thoughts in the high heart grow pensive and tender,
Then sleep—and the dreams of a summer night.

—Charles E. Markham in Overland Monthly.

Has Been in Africa.

I fancy that it is not generally known that there is in this town a man who has twice made the perilous journey to Mecca. Hadji Brown he is called in the east, the "Hadji" meaning pilgrim. Mr. Brown is an Irishman by birth and a traveler and journalist by profession. He has traveled much in Persia, Afghanistan and other oriental countries. He speaks Arabic like a native, and in Turkish costume he easily passes for a Turk. It was in this character, of course, that he visited Mecca, for without some such disguise he would have been murdered long before reaching the sacred city. Sir Richard Burton, whose single visit to Mecca made him famous, would have been slain by a fanatic on the journey but for the fortunate fact that Sir Richard was a bit quicker with his weapons than was the would be assassin.

Brown is taken for a Mussulman in the east, and he says his prayers in admirable oriental fashion. As a matter of fact, it is not a very difficult feat to pass as a Turk, even among Mussulmen, for Turks are of all complexions, and even a blue eyed man who spoke the language and wore the proper costume would not be challenged unless he aroused suspicion by some un-Moslem act. Sir Richard Burton's moment of danger came from a very simple neglect to observe a custom of the people with whom he journeyed.—New York Star.

Bear Shooting in Thibet.

As I [illegible] saw a large bear standing [illegible] car-cass of a yak. I [illegible] gun from one of my men [illegible] it, meaning its destruction, when my men gave what I understood to be a hasty [illegible] pointing to me to run, that the [illegible] meant for me. Another, better armed, put an end to the bear's life not to the delight of my [illegible] prize [illegible] ounces of silver to any drug shop. Mongols and Thibetans attack a bear only when they are strong, well armed party. My having killed one of these dreaded monsters alone seemed a feat of great daring, and the story was told to every Thibetan we met afterward as proof positive of my dauntless courage.—W. Woodville Rockhill in Century.

Character from the Fingers.

As far as the fingers are concerned, experts in palmistry divide hands into three classes. Long, slender, tapering fingers determine the first, and denote delicate, trained perceptions. A subject with such fingers has an innate fondness for art, poetry, music and the higher forms of literature. In the second class, the fingers are shorter, are nearly equal in length, and have blunt ends. They denote a practical, material mind, thorough and reliable, rather than brilliant. A woman with such fingers would make a careful and efficient housekeeper, and a man with similar ones would be cautious and thorough in business. In the third class, the fingers are short, thick and square, and have short, large nails, with cushions on each side of the nails. A subject having these fingers is active, athletic, opinionated, selfish, has strong appetites for the material things of life, and is liable to form strong prejudices.—D. D. Bidwell in New York Ledger.

A Rude Fellow.

Pretty Girl—Did you see the way that man looked at me? It was positively insulting.

Big Brother—Did he stare?

Pretty Girl—Stare? Why, no. He ran his eyes over me and then glanced off at some one else, just as if I wasn't worth a second thought.—New York Weekly.

In the industries now established in the United States, in which beautiful objects are made—such as wall hangings, furniture, silverware, tablecloths, glassware, articles of brass and wrought iron, stone carvings and the like—very excellent wages are often paid to skilled workmen.

G. Tateno, the Japanese minister to the United States, has been in official life for fifteen years. In 1878 he was one of the commissioners appointed by Japan to receive Gen. Grant. He was appointed to his present office in March, 1890.

WAY OF THE WORLD.

Aloft on the bough the fair fruit hung,
Caressed by the wind and kissed by the sun,
And standing below as it swung out of reach
One longed for a taste of so luscious a peach.

One just as perfect was lying below
Where the fickle wind tossed it hour ago;
Its hues as dainty, its form as round,
But nobody cared—for it lay on the ground.

It is ever the fruit that is just beyond reach,
Be it fame or honor, or love or a peach,
That man longs for the most—why we never will know,
Yet he scorns to pick where the fruit grows low.

—Ada E. Field in New York Herald.

An Englishman Couldn't See It.

Little Marshall P. Wilder, the famous merry maker, is perennial, and has a humorous skit for every hour of the day. This is one of his latest, illustrative of an Englishman's appreciation of humor:

I have met in England, and I have studied English humor. Its fundamental principles are not related to the American article that raises a cyclone of laughter. An Englishman was dining at a swell hotel out west, and after he finished his regular dinner he asked for sweets. A waiter from the Bowery, had gone west for employment, and was waiting on the particular table at which the Englishman sat.

"And phwat is sweets, sur?" asked the waiter.

The Englishman finally explained that he meant dessert, pudding, etc.

"We 'ave apple and mince pie," said the Bowery man.

"Give me mince pie."

"What's der matter wid der apple pie?" asked the waiter in a hard, I-don't-care-a-continental tone of voice. Many heard the remark and laughed. An hour later I happened to meet the Englishman, and he asked me if I heard the waiter ask him what was the matter with the apple pie. I said 'Yes.' Then the Englishman naively asked me:

"Well, what was the matter with the apple pie?"—New York World.

That Lovely Narcissus.

Narcissus was a mythological young person who had so much beauty that it was in the way. He was interrupted during office hours by people who wanted to admire him, and a case went on record of a woman's thinking so much of him that she would always keep still until he got clear through talking. At last he got a good look at himself in a mirror, and he said he couldn't blame them. He felt that he was a menace to society, and history says that he drowned himself. But he didn't.

He went and got a pair of voluminous trousers, decorated his eye with a large piece of glass, took the fit out of the back of his coat, shoved his chin out of place with his collar, and went about his business satisfied that he had restored their peaces of mind to the feminine members of his acquaintance. But it was in vain. And he is obliged to devote large portions of his time—in fact, nearly all of it—to the search for improvements that will make his garments effective for their true purpose. In the meantime he is obliged to go on bothersomely beloved.—Washington Post.

Clothing of the Esquimaux.

Clothing for men consists of knee breeches, belted at the loins, a loose-fitting cloak trimmed around the bottom, and the hood with wolf or wolverine, or a blending of both, a pair of stockings and a short legged pair of boots with sealskin soles. In winter two suits are worn, the inner suit with the hair next the body and the outer with the hair turned out.

The difference between the dress of men and women is that the latter have their boots, stockings and pantaloons all in one garment. The cloak of all females have at the back of the neck a fullness for carrying infants.

These cloaks come down below the knees and are gored out at the sides up to the hips, making the front look like an apron.—Exchange.

Many Roman and Greek epicures were very fond of dog's flesh. Before Christianity was established among the Danes, on every ninth year ninety-nine dogs were sacrificed. In Sweden each ninth day ninety-nine dogs were destroyed. But later on dogs were not thought good enough, and every ninth year ninety-nine human beings were immolated, the sons of the reigning tyrant among the rest, in order that the life of the monarch might be prolonged.

It has been concluded that whatever preservative is to be applied, the timber for piles subjected to the action of seaworms should first be charred, so as to kill any germs near the surface, open the pores of the wood for the antiseptic, and destroy the nutritive matter upon which the worm lives while beginning its action.

A Scotch writer gives a list of instances which tend to prove that his countrymen are willing to suffer great extremity for learning. He mentions one young man who, though of fine manners and aristocratic appearance, dined but three times a week, and then upon a hot twopenny pie.

Lord Eldon introduced a bill into the British parliament for restraining the liberty of the press, and one of the honorable members moved as an amendment that all anonymous works should have the name of the author printed on the title page.

Edward Everett Hale, the Boston preacher, is 70 years old, but few men are busier. He preaches, edits a magazine and a weekly newspaper, leads missions, dips into politics and is also the president of innumerable societies.

Two miles of silk have been drawn from the body of a single spider, and yet it is calculated that twenty-seven large spiders would be required to produce a pound weight of the material.

Promiscuous handshaking in America has repeatedly served as a target for European cynicism. Yet the handshake, after all, is the sincerest manifestation of human good will.

BACK FROM TOWN.

Old friends allus is the best,
Halest like and heartiest;
Knowed us first, and don't allow
We're so blame much better now!
They was standin' at the bars
When we grabbed "the kivvered kyars"
And lit out fer town, to make
Money—and that old mistake!

We thought then the world we went
Into beat "The Settlement,"
And the friends 'at we'd make there
Would beat any anywhere!
And they do—fer that's there biz;
They beat all the friends they is—
'Cept the raal old friends like you
'At staid home, like I'd ort to!

W'y, of all the good things yit
I ain't shet of, is to quit
Business, and git back to sheer
These old comf'table[illegible] here—
These old friends, and these old barns
'At I was [illegible]
These [illegible]
Yes, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
From the chimbley! Git the floor
Cleared fer one cowtillion more!—
It's poke the kitchen fire, says he,
And shake a friendly leg with me!

—James Whitcomb Riley in Century.

Bank Cars.

New Zealand has set an example which might advantageously be followed in certain parts of this country. In the same way as we have "cathedral cars" it has "traveling banks." A clerk representing the bank travels up and down a railway line for the transaction of the ordinary business of the bank with those who have not sufficient facilities for coming into the city. Laden with a sachel containing his supply of cash, and provided with a teller's usual precautions against robbery, the clerk makes the carriage his headquarters and there receives visits from customers at the way stations, changing checks or taking deposits as occasion may require. This plan is said to prove profitable to the bank and a great convenience to the settlers, who are saved all the trouble of journeying to town to relieve themselves of surplus money or to procure change. It is not difficult, however, to see that the New Zealanders are not properly educated in the matter of train robbery.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Mr. Bradlaugh's Windfall.

An interesting incident in the life of the late Mr. Bradlaugh, M. P., has escaped notice in the many biographical sketches. At a time when Mr. Bradlaugh was most in need of money he narrowly escaped coming in for a windfall of over £20,000. A Barnstaple gentleman named Tuberville—a brother of Mr. R. D. Blackmore, the famous author of "Lorna Doone"—had such an admiration for the junior member for Northampton that, after a very short acquaintance, he executed a will in his favor.

Mr. Tuberville died shortly afterward at Yeovil under circumstances which necessitated an inquest, and it then transpired that another will in favor of a young lady had been made. The latter will was disputed, and, eventually, as the result of a compromise, Mr. Bradlaugh obtained £2,000.—London Tit-Bits.

He Was Not to Blame.

One day on a railroad car a lady allowed her little boy, who could barely speak distinctly, to play about the car and bye and bye, to the horror of all of us, she discovered him complacently sitting outside on the steps. She brought him in, and although the punishment inflicted was mild his little heart seemed to be completely broken. When, presently, the train stopped at a station great choking sobs could be heard distinctly all over the car, and suddenly we were all convulsed by a grieving, reproachful and utterly desolate little voice exclaiming, "Say, mamma, when a—naughty old—trainman leaves—a door wide open, how can—a baby help going out?"—West Shore.

Trumped His Partner's Ace.

At a social gathering a few evenings ago, the conversation turning upon luck, a gentleman remarked: "All this talk about thirteen being an unlucky number is sheer nonsense. What, for instance, is luckier than holding thirteen trumps at whist?"

"Humph!" replied another gentleman, "I held a thirteen trump hand once and didn't make more than one trick with it!"

"How could that be?"

"Well, you see, my partner was somewhat hot tempered, and when I trumped his ace he jumped up and threw me out of the room."—Boston Globe.

Early Icehouses.

In America icehouses have been known for at least 200 years. They were at first very primitive affairs, being nothing more than deep cellars, the flooring made of boards or stone, upon which was placed a layer of straw or sawdust. The sides were lined with boards set about a foot from the wall, and this space was filled in with sawdust, tanbark or straw. A rough, thatched roof completed the structure, which was then filled with ice, between the layers of which tanbark or sawdust was strewed.—Detroit Free Press.

Not In the Second Hand Business.

As Sheridan was entering court one day carrying his books and briefs in a green bag, according to the custom of the time, some of his brother barristers, thinking to play a joke on him, urged some boys to ask him if he had old clothes for sale in his green bag. "Oh, no!" instantly replied Sheridan, "they are all new suits."—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Scotch student had a curious method of studying. He spread out his books where the hearth rug would naturally have been, and lay there at full length, learning his task by the light of a fire made from roots of decayed trees which he had dug in a wood near Edinburgh and carried to his lodgings.

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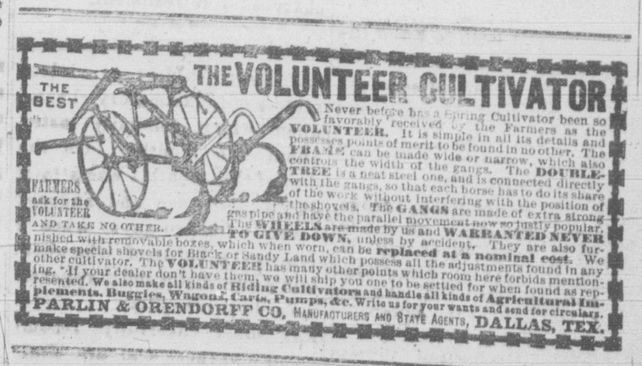

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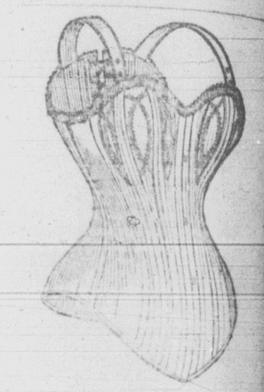

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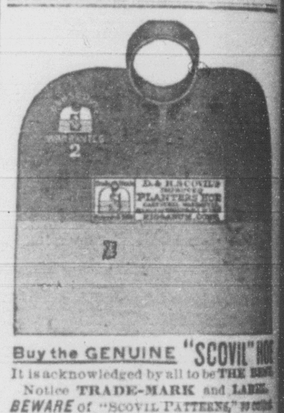

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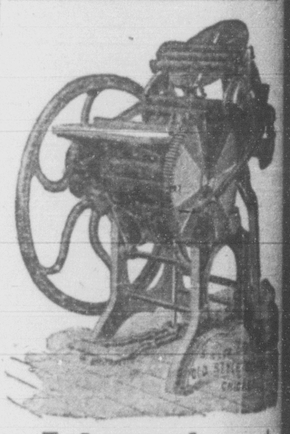

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